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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

or

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

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number 1-9583

MBIA INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut
(State of incorporation)

06-1185706
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1 Manhattanville Road, Suite 301, Purchase, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10577
(Zip Code)

(914) 273-4545
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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 ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§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 ☒ No ☐

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

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

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

As of May 5, 2016, 137,280,900 shares of Common Stock, par value \$1 per share, were outstanding.

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FORWARD-LOOKING AND CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

This quarterly report of MBIA Inc. (“MBIA”, the “Company”, “we”, “us” or “our”) includes statements that are not historical or current facts and are “forward-looking statements” made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words “believe”, “anticipate”, “project”, “plan”, “expect”, “estimate”, “intend”, “will likely result”, “looking forward”, or “will continue” and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. These statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical earnings and those presently anticipated or projected. MBIA cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements, which speak only to their respective dates. We undertake no obligation to publicly correct or update any forward-looking statement if the Company later becomes aware that such result is not likely to be achieved.

The following are some of the general factors that could affect financial performance or could cause actual results to differ materially from estimates contained in or underlying the Company’s forward-looking statements:

- increased credit losses or impairments on public finance obligations we insure issued by state, local and territorial governments and finance authorities and other providers of public services, located in the U.S. or abroad, that are experiencing fiscal stress;
- the possibility that MBIA Corp. will have inadequate liquidity or resources to pay claims as a result of higher than expected losses on certain structured finance transactions or as a result of a delay or failure in collecting expected recoveries;
- the possibility that loss reserve estimates are not adequate to cover potential claims;
- a disruption in the cash flow from our subsidiaries or an inability to access the capital markets and our exposure to significant fluctuations in liquidity and asset values in the global credit markets as a result of collateral posting requirements;
- our ability to fully implement our strategic plan, including our ability to maintain high stable credit ratings for National Public Finance Guarantee Corporation and generate investor demand for our financial guarantees;
- deterioration in the economic environment and financial markets in the United States or abroad, real estate market performance, credit spreads, interest rates and foreign currency levels; and
- the effects of changes to governmental regulation, including insurance laws, securities laws, tax laws, legal precedents and accounting rules.

The above factors provide a summary of and are qualified in their entirety by the risk factors discussed under “Risk Factors” in Part I, Item 1A of MBIA Inc.’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. In addition, refer to “Risk Factors” in Part II, Item 1A and “Note 1: Business Developments and Risks and Uncertainties” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a discussion of certain risks and uncertainties related to our financial statements.

This quarterly report of MBIA Inc. also includes statements of the opinion and belief of MBIA management which may be forward- looking statements subject to the preceding cautionary disclosure. Unless otherwise indicated herein, the basis for each statement of opinion or belief of MBIA management in this report is the relevant industry or subject matter experience and views of certain members of MBIA’s management. Accordingly, MBIA cautions readers not to place undue reliance on any such statements, because like all statements of opinion or belief they are not statements of fact and may prove to be incorrect. We undertake no obligation to publicly correct or update any statement of opinion or belief if the Company later becomes aware that such statement of opinion or belief was not or is not then accurate. In addition, readers are cautioned that each statement of opinion or belief may be further qualified by disclosures set forth elsewhere in this report or in other disclosures by MBIA.

PART 1 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

MBIA INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)
(In millions except share and per share amounts)

	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Assets		
Investments:		
Fixed-maturity securities held as available-for-sale, at fair value (amortized cost \$5,120 and \$5,155)	\$ 5,210	\$ 5,145
Investments carried at fair value	164	177
Investments pledged as collateral, at fair value (amortized cost \$216 and \$322)	191	291
Short-term investments held as available-for-sale, at fair value (amortized cost \$931 and \$720)	931	721
Other investments (includes investments at fair value of \$6 and \$13)	10	16
Total investments	6,506	6,350
Cash and cash equivalents	285	464
Premiums receivable	747	792
Deferred acquisition costs	158	168
Insurance loss recoverable	409	577
Deferred income taxes, net	939	951
Other assets	143	156
Assets of consolidated variable interest entities:		
Cash	47	58
Investments held-to-maturity, at amortized cost (fair value \$525 and \$2,401)	890	2,689
Fixed-maturity securities at fair value	848	932
Loans receivable at fair value	1,368	1,292
Loan repurchase commitments	399	396
Other assets	12	11
Total assets	\$ 12,751	\$ 14,836
Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities:		
Unearned premium revenue	\$ 1,510	\$ 1,591
Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves	525	516
Long-term debt	1,919	1,889
Medium-term notes (includes financial instruments carried at fair value of \$165 and \$161)	1,048	1,016
Investment agreements	452	462
Derivative liabilities	358	314
Other liabilities	170	211
Liabilities of consolidated variable interest entities:		
Variable interest entity notes (includes financial instruments carried at fair value of \$2,204 and \$2,362)	3,094	5,051
Derivative liabilities	36	45
Total liabilities	9,112	11,095
Commitments and contingencies (Refer to Note 13)		
Equity:		
Preferred stock, par value \$1 per share; authorized shares—10,000,000; issued and outstanding—none	-	-
Common stock, par value \$1 per share; authorized shares—400,000,000; issued shares—283,390,167 and 281,833,618	283	282
Additional paid-in capital	3,147	3,138
Retained earnings	2,960	3,038
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax of \$15 and \$51	5	(61)
Treasury stock, at cost—146,112,863 and 130,303,241 shares	(2,768)	(2,668)
Total shareholders' equity of MBIA Inc.	3,627	3,729
Preferred stock of subsidiary	12	12
Total equity	3,639	3,741
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 12,751	\$ 14,836

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

MBIA INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)
(In millions except share and per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Revenues:		
Premiums earned:		
Scheduled premiums earned	\$ 45	\$ 55
Refunding premiums earned	30	46
Premiums earned (net of ceded premiums of \$2 and \$4)	75	101
Net investment income	39	37
Fees and reimbursements	1	1
Change in fair value of insured derivatives:		
Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives	(14)	(9)
Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives	(14)	37
Net change in fair value of insured derivatives	(28)	28
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(69)	30
Investment losses related to other-than-temporary impairments	(1)	-
Net gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	2	-
Other net realized gains (losses)	(1)	20
Revenues of consolidated variable interest entities:		
Net investment income	15	12
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(1)	(10)
Total revenues	32	219
Expenses:		
Losses and loss adjustment	22	(6)
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	10	13
Operating	35	35
Interest	50	50
Expenses of consolidated variable interest entities:		
Operating	4	4
Interest	12	10
Total expenses	133	106
Income (loss) before income taxes	(101)	113
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(23)	44
Net income (loss)	\$ (78)	\$ 69
Net income (loss) per common share:		
Basic	\$ (0.58)	\$ 0.37
Diluted	\$ (0.58)	\$ 0.37
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:		
Basic	135,814,835	181,735,876
Diluted	135,814,835	182,736,415

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MBIA INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (Unaudited)
(In millions)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income (loss)	\$ (78)	\$ 69
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities:		
Unrealized gains (losses) arising during the period	123	43
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	43	17
Total	80	26
Reclassification adjustments for (gains) losses included in net income (loss)	(5)	7
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(2)	3
Total	(3)	4
Available-for-sale securities with other-than-temporary impairments:		
Other-than-temporary impairments and unrealized gains (losses) arising during the period	(3)	(14)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(1)	(5)
Total	(2)	(9)
Foreign currency translation:		
Foreign currency translation gains (losses)	(14)	(31)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(5)	(11)
Total	(9)	(20)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	66	1
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (12)	\$ 70

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MBIA INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited)
For The Three Months Ended March 31, 2016
(In millions except share amounts)

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Treasury Stock		Total Shareholders' Equity of MBIA Inc.	Preferred Stock of Subsidiary		Total Equity
	Shares	Amount				Shares	Amount		Shares	Amount	
Balance, December 31, 2015	281,833,618	\$ 282	\$ 3,138	\$ 3,038	\$ (61)	(130,303,241)	\$(2,668)	\$ 3,729	1,315	\$ 12	\$3,741
Net income (loss)	-	-	-	(78)	-	-	-	(78)	-	-	(78)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	-	66	-	-	66	-	-	66
Share-based compensation	1,556,549	1	9	-	-	(923,287)	(6)	4	-	-	4
Treasury shares acquired under share repurchase program	-	-	-	-	-	(14,886,335)	(94)	(94)	-	-	(94)
Balance, March 31, 2016	283,390,167	\$ 283	\$ 3,147	\$ 2,960	\$ 5	(146,112,863)	\$(2,768)	\$ 3,627	1,315	\$ 12	\$3,639

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MBIA INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)
(In millions)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Premiums, fees and reimbursements received	\$ 23	\$ 17
Investment income received	113	90
Insured derivative commutations and losses paid	(15)	(13)
Financial guarantee losses and loss adjustment expenses paid	(17)	(17)
Proceeds from recoveries and reinsurance	24	23
Operating and employee related expenses paid	(52)	(55)
Interest paid, net of interest converted to principal	(37)	(54)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	39	(9)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of available-for-sale investments	(452)	(478)
Sales of available-for-sale investments	281	192
Paydowns and maturities of available-for-sale investments	122	113
Purchases of investments at fair value	(24)	(166)
Sales, paydowns and maturities of investments at fair value	92	170
Sales, paydowns and maturities (purchases) of short-term investments, net	(32)	232
Sales, paydowns and maturities of held-to-maturity investments	1,799	15
Paydowns and maturities of loans receivable	56	52
Consolidation of variable interest entities	9	7
(Payments) proceeds for derivative settlements	(20)	70
Collateral (to) from swap counterparty	(13)	(110)
Capital expenditures	-	(1)
Other investing	(4)	24
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	1,814	120
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from investment agreements	5	7
Principal paydowns of investment agreements	(15)	(17)
Principal paydowns of medium-term notes	-	(28)
Principal paydowns of variable interest entity notes	(1,939)	(132)
Principal paydowns of long-term debt	-	(11)
Purchases of treasury stock	(97)	(75)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	(2,046)	(256)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	3	(10)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(190)	(155)
Cash and cash equivalents—beginning of period	522	782
Cash and cash equivalents—end of period	\$ 332	\$ 627
Reconciliation of net income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$ (78)	\$ 69
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Change in:		
Premiums receivable	53	4
Deferred acquisition costs	10	13
Unearned premium revenue	(81)	(83)
Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves	9	(6)
Insurance loss recoverable	21	5
Accrued interest payable	28	25
Accrued expenses	(21)	(11)
Unrealized (gains) losses on insured derivatives	14	(37)
Net (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	70	(20)
Other net realized (gains) losses	1	(20)
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	(23)	44
Interest on variable interest entities, net	22	14
Other operating	14	(6)
Total adjustments to net income (loss)	117	(78)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ 39	\$ (9)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

MBIA Inc. and Subsidiaries
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 1: Business Developments and Risks and Uncertainties

Summary

MBIA Inc., together with its consolidated subsidiaries, (collectively, “MBIA” or the “Company”) operates one of the largest financial guarantee insurance businesses in the industry. MBIA manages three operating segments: 1) United States (“U.S.”) public finance insurance; 2) corporate; and 3) international and structured finance insurance. The Company’s U.S. public finance insurance business is primarily operated through National Public Finance Guarantee Corporation (“National”) and its international and structured finance insurance business is primarily operated through MBIA Insurance Corporation and its subsidiaries (“MBIA Corp.”). Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, references to “MBIA Corp.” are to MBIA Insurance Corporation, together with its subsidiaries, MBIA UK Insurance Limited (“MBIA UK”) and MBIA Mexico S.A. de C.V (“MBIA Mexico”).

Effective on January 1, 2015, the Company exited its advisory services business through the sale of Cutwater Holdings, LLC and its subsidiaries (“Cutwater”) to a subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation. Refer to “Note 10: Business Segments” for further information about the Company’s operating segments.

Business Developments

National Ratings and New Business Opportunities

National’s ability to write new business and compete with other financial guarantors is largely dependent on the financial strength ratings assigned to National by the rating agencies. As of March 31, 2016, National had the following ratings: AA+ with a stable outlook by Kroll Bond Rating Agency; AA- with a stable outlook by Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC (“S&P”); and A3 with a negative outlook by Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”).

National seeks to generate shareholder value through appropriate risk adjusted pricing; however, current market conditions and the competitive landscape may limit National’s new business opportunities and its abilities to price and underwrite risk with attractive returns. Refer to “Risks and Uncertainties” below for a discussion of business risks related to National’s insured portfolio.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Company’s financial statements include estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. The outcome of certain significant risks and uncertainties could cause the Company to revise its estimates and assumptions or could cause actual results to differ from the Company’s estimates. The discussion below highlights the significant risks and uncertainties that could have a material effect on the Company’s financial statements and business objectives in future periods.

U.S. Public Finance Market Conditions

National’s insured portfolio continued to perform satisfactorily against a backdrop of strengthening domestic economic activity. While a stable or growing economy will generally benefit tax revenues and fees charged for essential municipal services which secure National’s insured bond portfolio, some state and local governments and territory obligors National insures remain under financial and budgetary stress. This could lead to an increase in defaults by such entities on the payment of their obligations and losses or impairments on a greater number of the Company’s insured transactions. The Company monitors and analyzes these situations and other stressed credits closely, and the overall extent and duration of this stress is uncertain.

Puerto Rico is experiencing fiscal stress and constrained liquidity due to, among other things, Puerto Rico’s structural budget imbalance, limited access to the capital markets, a stagnating local economy, net migration of people out of Puerto Rico and a high debt burden. Although Puerto Rico has tried to address its significant financial challenges through various fiscal policies, it continues to experience significant fiscal stress. The Company continues to believe, based on its analysis of Puerto Rico’s fiscal and structural circumstances, the details of its insured exposures, and its legal and contractual rights, that all of National’s insured Puerto Rico related debt will ultimately be substantially repaid.

MBIA Corp. Recoveries and Insured Portfolio

MBIA Corp.’s primary objectives are to satisfy those claims, if any, of its policyholders, and to maximize future recoveries to its surplus note holders and preferred stock holders. The Company intends to execute this strategy by reducing and mitigating potential losses on its insurance exposures and maximizing the collection of recoveries.

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MBIA Inc. and Subsidiaries
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 1: Business Developments and Risks and Uncertainties (continued)

The amount and timing of projected collections from excess spread from second-lien residential mortgage-backed securities (“RMBS”) and the put-back recoverable from Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc., and Select Portfolio Servicing Inc. (collectively, “Credit Suisse”) are uncertain. Refer to “Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves” for information about MBIA Corp.’s loss reserves and recoveries.

Further, the remaining insured portfolio, aside from these exposures, could deteriorate and result in additional significant loss reserves and claim payments. MBIA Corp.’s ability to meet its obligations is limited by available liquidity and its ability to secure liquidity through financing and other transactions. In this circumstance there can be no assurance that MBIA Corp. will be successful in generating sufficient cash to meet its obligations. In particular, as of March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp. insures \$776 million of gross par outstanding of notes issued by Zohar II 2005-1 Limited, a high yield corporate collateralized debt obligation (“CDO”), which matures in January of 2017. If cash flows generated by Zohar II are insufficient to pay the insured amount at maturity in full, MBIA Corp. will be called upon to satisfy any unpaid amount. If Zohar II fails to generate cash to cover a substantial amount of the insured exposure at maturity, or if MBIA Corp. is unable to reach a restructuring agreement or to raise sufficient liquidity, MBIA Corp. may ultimately have insufficient liquid resources to continue to pay claims. Any such failure to meet its obligations could cause the New York State Department of Financial Services (“NYSDFS”) to put MBIA Insurance Corporation, exclusive of MBIA UK and MBIA Mexico, into a rehabilitation or liquidation proceeding and/or to order MBIA Insurance Corporation to cease paying any claims under its policies. Given the separation of MBIA Inc. and MBIA Corp. as distinct legal entities, the absence of any material intercompany lending agreements or cross defaults between the entities, and the lack of reliance by MBIA Inc. on MBIA Corp. for the receipt of dividends, the Company does not believe that a rehabilitation or liquidation proceeding with respect to MBIA Insurance Corporation would have any significant long-term liquidity impact on MBIA Inc. or result in a liquidation or similar proceeding of MBIA UK or MBIA Mexico. Such a proceeding could have material adverse consequences for MBIA Insurance Corporation, including the termination of insured credit default swap (“CDS”) contracts for which counterparties may assert market-based claims, the acceleration of debt obligations issued by affiliates and insured by MBIA Insurance Corporation, the loss of control of MBIA Insurance Corporation to a rehabilitator or liquidator, and unplanned costs.

Corporate Liquidity

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the liquidity position of MBIA Inc. was \$371 million and \$416 million, respectively. The term “liquidity position” refers to cash and liquid assets available for general liquidity purposes. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, \$105 million was released to MBIA Inc. under the MBIA group’s tax sharing agreement (the “Tax Escrow Account”). Based on the Company’s projections of National’s dividends, payments into the Tax Escrow Account, and other cash inflows, the Company expects that MBIA Inc. will have sufficient cash to satisfy its debt service and general corporate needs. However, MBIA Inc. continues to have liquidity risk which could be triggered by deterioration in the performance of invested assets, interruption of or reduction in dividends or tax payments received from operating subsidiaries, impaired access to the capital markets, as well as other factors which cannot be anticipated at this time. Furthermore, failure by MBIA Inc. to settle liabilities that are also insured by MBIA Corp. could result in claims on MBIA Corp.

Note 2: Significant Accounting Policies

The Company has disclosed its significant accounting policies in “Note 2: Significant Accounting Policies” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. The following significant accounting policies provide an update to those included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X and, accordingly, do not include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) for annual periods. These statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. The accompanying consolidated financial statements have not been audited by an independent registered public accounting firm in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (U.S.), but in the opinion of management such financial statements include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for the fair statement of the Company’s consolidated financial position and results of operations. All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. As additional information becomes available or actual amounts become determinable, the recorded estimates are revised and reflected in operating results.

MBIA Inc. and Subsidiaries
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 2: Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2016 may not be indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2016. The December 31, 2015 consolidated balance sheet was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by GAAP for annual periods. Certain amounts have been reclassified in the prior year's financial statements to conform to the current presentation. Such reclassifications had no impact on total revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities, shareholders' equity, operating cash flows, investing cash flows, or financing cash flows for all periods presented.

Note 3: Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

Compensation-Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period (A Consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force) (ASU 2014-12)

In June of 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-12, "Compensation-Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period." ASU 2014-12 requires that a performance target that affects vesting of share-based payment awards and that could be achieved after an employee's requisite service period be accounted for as a performance condition. ASU 2014-12 was effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2016. The adoption of ASU 2014-12 did not affect the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Consolidation (Topic 810): Measuring the Financial Assets and the Financial Liabilities of a Consolidated Collateralized Financing Entity (ASU 2014-13)

In August of 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-13, "Consolidation (Topic 810): Measuring the Financial Assets and the Financial Liabilities of a Consolidated Collateralized Financing Entity." ASU 2014-13 applies to a consolidated collateralized financing entity defined as a consolidated variable interest entity ("VIE") that holds financial assets and issues beneficial interests in those financial assets that are classified as financial liabilities. The Company may elect to measure the financial assets and the financial liabilities of a consolidated collateralized financing entity using a measurement alternative provided in ASU 2014-13. The measurement alternative requires both the financial assets and the financial liabilities of the consolidated collateralized financing entity to be measured using the more observable of the fair value of the financial assets and the fair value of the financial liabilities with the changes in fair value recognized to earnings. Upon adoption, a reporting entity may apply the measurement alternative to existing consolidated collateralized financing entities. ASU 2014-13 was effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2016. The adoption of ASU 2014-13 did not affect the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Interest-Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30): Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs (ASU 2015-03)

In April of 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-03, "Interest-Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30): Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs." ASU 2015-03 requires debt issuance costs related to a debt liability measured at amortized cost to be reported in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the face amount of the debt liability. ASU 2015-03 was effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2016. The adoption of ASU 2015-03 was applied retrospectively and all previously reported amounts have been conformed to the current presentation. ASU 2015-03 did not materially impact the Company's consolidated financial statements.

The Company has not adopted any other new accounting pronouncements that had a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Recent Accounting Developments

Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606) (ASU 2014-09) and Deferral of the Effective Date (ASU 2015-14)

In May of 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)." ASU 2014-09 amends the accounting guidance for recognizing revenue for the transfer of goods or services from contracts with customers unless those contracts are within the scope of other accounting standards. ASU 2014-09 does not apply to financial guarantee insurance contracts within the scope of Topic 944, "Financial Services — Insurance." In August of 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606) — Deferral of the Effective Date." ASU 2015-14 defers the effective date of ASU 2014-09 to interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2018, and is applied on a retrospective or modified retrospective basis. The adoption of ASU 2014-09 is not expected to materially impact the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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Note 3: Recent Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

Presentation of Financial Statements—Going Concern (Subtopic 205-40): Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern (ASU 2014-15)

In August of 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-15, "Presentation of Financial Statements-Going Concern (Subtopic 205-40): Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern." ASU 2014-15 requires management to evaluate whether there are conditions or events that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, and to provide certain disclosures when it is probable that the entity will be unable to meet its obligations as they become due within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued. ASU 2014-15 is effective for the annual period ending December 31, 2016 and for annual periods and interim periods thereafter with early adoption permitted. The adoption of ASU 2014-15 is not expected to materially impact the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Financial Instruments-Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities (ASU 2016-01)

In January of 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, "Financial Instruments-Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities." ASU 2016-01 requires certain equity investments other than those accounted for under the equity method of accounting or result in consolidation of the investee to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income, and permits an entity to measure equity investments that do not have readily determinable fair values at cost less any impairment plus or minus adjustments for certain changes in observable prices. An entity is also required to evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale ("AFS") debt securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. ASU 2016-01 requires an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability that results from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk for financial liabilities that the entity has elected to measure at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments. ASU 2016-01 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2018, and is applied on a modified retrospective basis. Early adoption is not permitted with the exception of early application of the guidance that requires separate presentation in other comprehensive income of the change in the instrument-specific credit risk for financial liabilities measured at fair value in accordance with the fair value option is permitted as of the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption of the standard. The Company is evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2016-01.

Leases (Topic 842) (ASU 2016-02)

In February of 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, "Leases (Topic 842)" that amends the accounting guidance for leasing transactions. ASU 2016-02 requires a lessee to classify lease contracts as finance or operating leases, and to recognize assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by leasing transactions with lease terms more than twelve months. ASU 2016-02 substantially retains the criteria for classifying leasing transactions as finance or operating leases. For finance leases, a lessee recognizes a right-of-use asset and a lease liability initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, and recognizes interest expense on the lease liability separately from the amortization of the right-of-use asset. For operating leases, a lessee recognizes a right-of-use asset and a lease liability initially measured at the present value of the lease payments, and recognizes lease expense on a straight-line basis. ASU 2016-02 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2019 with early adoption permitted, and is applied on a modified retrospective basis. The Company is evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2016-02.

Note 4: Variable Interest Entities

Through MBIA's international and structured finance insurance segment, the Company provides credit protection to issuers of obligations that may involve issuer-sponsored special purpose entities ("SPEs"). An SPE may be considered a VIE to the extent the SPE's total equity at risk is not sufficient to permit the SPE to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support or its equity investors lack any one of the following characteristics: (i) the power to direct the activities of the SPE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance or (ii) the obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity or the right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity. A holder of a variable interest or interests in a VIE is required to assess whether it has a controlling financial interest, and thus is required to consolidate the entity as primary beneficiary. An assessment of a controlling financial interest identifies the primary beneficiary as the variable interest holder that has both of the following characteristics: (i) the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance and (ii) 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. The primary beneficiary is required to consolidate the VIE. An ongoing reassessment of controlling financial interest is required to be performed based on any substantive changes in facts and circumstances involving the VIE and its variable interests.

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The Company evaluates issuer-sponsored SPEs initially to determine if an entity is a VIE, and is required to reconsider its initial determination if certain events occur. For all entities determined to be VIEs, MBIA performs an ongoing reassessment to determine whether its guarantee to provide credit protection on obligations issued by VIEs provides the Company with a controlling financial interest. Based on its ongoing reassessment of controlling financial interest, the Company determines whether a VIE is required to be consolidated or deconsolidated.

The Company makes its determination for consolidation based on a qualitative assessment of the purpose and design of a VIE, the terms and characteristics of variable interests of an entity, and the risks a VIE is designed to create and pass through to holders of variable interests. The Company generally provides credit protection on obligations issued by VIEs, and holds certain contractual rights according to the purpose and design of a VIE. The Company may have the ability to direct certain activities of a VIE depending on facts and circumstances, including the occurrence of certain contingent events, and these activities may be considered the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. The Company generally considers its guarantee of principal and interest payments of insured obligations, given nonperformance by a VIE, to be an obligation to absorb losses of the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE. At the time the Company determines it has the ability to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the economic performance of the entity based on facts and circumstances, MBIA is deemed to have a controlling financial interest in the VIE and is required to consolidate the entity as primary beneficiary. The Company performs an ongoing reassessment of controlling financial interest that may result in consolidation or deconsolidation of any VIE.

Nonconsolidated VIEs

Insurance

The following tables present the total assets of nonconsolidated VIEs in which the Company holds a variable interest as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, through its insurance operations. The following tables also present the Company's maximum exposure to loss for nonconsolidated VIEs and carrying values of the assets and liabilities for its interests in these VIEs as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The Company has aggregated nonconsolidated VIEs based on the underlying credit exposure of the insured obligation. The nature of the Company's variable interests in nonconsolidated VIEs is related to financial guarantees, insured CDS contracts and any investments in obligations issued by nonconsolidated VIEs.

In millions	March 31, 2016							
	Carrying Value of Assets					Carrying Value of Liabilities		
	VIE Assets	Maximum Exposure to Loss	Investments ⁽¹⁾	Premiums Receivable ⁽²⁾	Insurance Loss Recoverable ⁽³⁾	Unearned Premium Revenue ⁽⁴⁾	Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves ⁽⁵⁾	Derivative Liabilities ⁽⁶⁾
Insurance:								
Global structured finance:								
Collateralized debt obligations	\$ 5,071	\$ 2,554	\$ 51	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ 3	\$ 71	\$ 4
Mortgage-backed residential	11,066	5,817	22	31	399	30	334	-
Mortgage-backed commercial	309	206	-	1	-	-	-	-
Consumer asset-backed	5,370	1,535	-	9	-	7	9	-
Corporate asset-backed	4,421	3,103	-	24	2	28	-	-
Total global structured finance	26,237	13,215	73	71	401	68	414	4
Global public finance	47,741	14,291	-	154	-	179	-	-
Total insurance	\$ 73,978	\$ 27,506	\$ 73	\$ 225	\$ 401	\$ 247	\$ 414	\$ 4

- (1) - Reported within "Investments" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (2) - Reported within "Premiums receivable" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (3) - Reported within "Insurance loss recoverable" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (4) - Reported within "Unearned premium revenue" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (5) - Reported within "Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (6) - Reported within "Derivative liabilities" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.

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In millions	December 31, 2015							
	Carrying Value of Assets					Carrying Value of Liabilities		
	VIE Assets	Maximum Exposure to Loss	Investments ⁽¹⁾	Premiums Receivable ⁽²⁾	Insurance Loss Recoverable ⁽³⁾	Unearned Premium Revenue ⁽⁴⁾	Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves ⁽⁵⁾	Derivative Liabilities ⁽⁶⁾
Insurance:								
Global structured finance:								
Collateralized debt obligations	\$ 5,712	\$ 3,046	\$ 51	\$ 9	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ 108	\$ 6
Mortgage-backed residential	11,524	6,072	23	31	416	30	306	-
Mortgage-backed commercial	319	219	-	1	-	1	-	-
Consumer asset-backed	5,538	1,712	-	13	-	11	4	-
Corporate asset-backed	5,218	3,446	-	26	2	30	-	-
Total global structured finance	28,311	14,495	74	80	418	78	418	6
Global public finance	44,162	14,579	-	160	-	186	-	-
Total insurance	\$ 72,473	\$ 29,074	\$ 74	\$ 240	\$ 418	\$ 264	\$ 418	\$ 6

- (1) - Reported within "Investments" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (2) - Reported within "Premiums receivable" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (3) - Reported within "Insurance loss recoverable" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (4) - Reported within "Unearned premium revenue" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (5) - Reported within "Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.
- (6) - Reported within "Derivative liabilities" on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.

The maximum exposure to loss as a result of MBIA's variable interests in VIEs is represented by insurance in force. Insurance in force is the maximum future payments of principal and interest which may be required under commitments to make payments on insured obligations issued by nonconsolidated VIEs.

Consolidated VIEs

The carrying amounts of assets and liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$3.6 billion and \$3.1 billion, respectively, as of March 31, 2016, and \$5.4 billion and \$5.1 billion, respectively, as of December 31, 2015. The carrying amounts of assets and liabilities are presented separately in "Assets of consolidated variable interest entities" and "Liabilities of consolidated variable interest entities" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. VIEs are consolidated or deconsolidated based on an ongoing reassessment of controlling financial interest, when events occur or circumstances arise, and whether the ability to exercise rights that constitute power to direct activities of any VIEs are present according to the design and characteristics of these entities. One additional VIE was consolidated during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and one additional VIE was consolidated during the three months ended March 31, 2015.

Holders of insured obligations of issuer-sponsored VIEs related to the Company's international and structured finance insurance segment do not have recourse to the general assets of MBIA. In the event of nonpayment of an insured obligation issued by a consolidated VIE, the Company is obligated to pay principal and interest, when due, on the respective insured obligation only. The Company's exposure to consolidated VIEs is limited to the credit protection provided on insured obligations and any additional variable interests held by MBIA.

Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves

Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Process

U.S. Public Finance Insurance

U.S. public finance insured transactions consist of municipal bonds, including tax-exempt and taxable indebtedness of U.S. political subdivisions, as well as utilities, airports, health care institutions, higher educational facilities, student loan issuers, housing authorities and other similar agencies and obligations issued by private entities that finance projects that serve a substantial public purpose. The Company estimates future losses by using probability-weighted cash flow scenarios that are customized to each insured transaction. Future loss estimates consider debt service due for each insured transaction, which includes par outstanding and interest due and includes recoveries for such payments, if any.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's U.S. public finance loss and loss adjustment expense ("LAE") reserves were \$52 million and \$45 million, respectively. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's insurance loss recoverable related to U.S. public finance issues was \$3 million and \$4 million, respectively.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

Certain local governments remain under financial and budgetary stress and a few have filed for protection under the United States Bankruptcy Code, or have entered into state statutory proceedings established to assist municipalities in managing through periods of severe fiscal stress. This could lead to an increase in defaults by such entities on the payment of their obligations and losses or impairments in greater amounts on the Company’s insured transactions. The Company monitors and analyzes these situations closely, however, the overall extent and duration of such events are uncertain. Also, the filing for protection under the United States Bankruptcy Code or entering state statutory proceedings does not necessarily result in a default or indicate that an ultimate loss will occur. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company had \$65.4 billion and \$70.0 billion, respectively, of gross par outstanding on general obligations, of which \$1.1 billion and \$79 million, respectively, were reflected on the Company’s “Classified List.” Capital appreciation bonds are reported at the par amount at the time of issuance of the insurance policy.

International and Structured Finance Insurance

The international and structured finance insurance segment’s case basis reserves and insurance loss recoveries recorded in accordance with GAAP do not include estimates for policies insuring credit derivatives or on financial guarantee VIEs that are eliminated in consolidation. Policies insuring credit derivative contracts are accounted for as derivatives and are carried at fair value in the Company’s consolidated financial statements under GAAP. The fair values of insured credit derivative contracts are influenced by a variety of market and transaction-specific factors that may be unrelated to potential future claim payments under the Company’s insurance policies. In the absence of credit impairments on insured credit derivative contracts or the early termination of such contracts at a loss, the cumulative unrealized losses recorded from these contracts should reverse before or at the maturity of the contracts. As the Company’s insured credit derivatives have similar terms, conditions, risks, and economic profiles to its financial guarantee insurance policies, the Company evaluates them for impairment, under Statutory accounting, in the same way that it estimates loss and LAE for its financial guarantee policies. Refer to “Note 8: Derivative Instruments” for a further discussion of the Company’s use of derivatives and their impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

RMBS Case Basis Reserves and Recoveries (Financial Guarantees)

The Company’s RMBS reserves and recoveries relate to financial guarantee insurance policies. The Company calculated RMBS case basis reserves as of March 31, 2016 for both second and first-lien RMBS transactions using a process called the “Roll Rate Methodology.” The Roll Rate Methodology is a multi-step process using databases of loan level information, proprietary internal cash flow models, and commercially available models to estimate potential losses and recoveries on insured bonds. “Roll Rate” is defined as the probability that current loans become delinquent and that various percentages of delinquent loans are eventually charged-off (deemed uncollectible by servicers of the transactions) or liquidated. Generally, Roll Rates are calculated for the previous three months and averaged. The loss reserve estimates are based on a probability-weighted average of three scenarios of loan losses (base case, stress case, and an additional stress case). Additional data used for both second and first-lien RMBS includes historic average of deal specific voluntary prepayment rates and loss severities and forward projections of the London Interbank Offered Rate (“LIBOR”) interest rates. Prospective loss severity assumptions are reduced over time to account for reductions in the amount of foreclosure inventory, anticipated future increases in home prices, principal amortizations of the loans and modification programs.

In calculating ultimate cumulative losses for RMBS, the Company estimates the amount of second-lien mortgage loans that are expected to be charged-off or first-lien loans liquidated in the future. Refer to “Note 6: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, for additional information on the Company’s second and first-lien mortgage loan Roll Rate Methodology.

Second-lien RMBS Reserves

The Company’s second-lien RMBS case basis reserves as of March 31, 2016 relate to RMBS backed by home equity lines of credit and closed-end second mortgages. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company established loss and LAE reserves totaling \$57 million and \$51 million, respectively, related to second-lien RMBS issues after the elimination of \$17 million and \$16 million, respectively, as a result of consolidated VIEs.

The Company monitors portfolio performance on a monthly basis against projected performance, reviewing delinquencies, roll rates, and prepayment rates (including voluntary and involuntary). However, loan performance remains difficult to predict and losses may exceed expectations. In the event of a material deviation in actual performance from projected performance, the Company would increase or decrease the case basis reserves accordingly. If actual performance were to remain at the current levels for six additional months compared to the probability-weighted outcome currently used by the Company, the addition to the case basis reserves would be approximately \$29 million.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

Second-lien RMBS Recoveries

The Company primarily records two types of recoveries related to insured second-lien RMBS exposures: excess spread that is generated from the trust structures in the insured transactions; and “put-back” claims related to those mortgage loans whose inclusion in insured securitizations failed to comply with representations and warranties (“ineligible loans”).

Excess Spread

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company estimated recoveries of \$465 million and \$499 million, respectively, for the reimbursement of past and future expected claims through excess spread in insured second-lien RMBS transactions, of which \$84 million and \$93 million, respectively, are eliminated as a result of consolidated VIEs. As of March 31, 2016, \$363 million and \$18 million were included in “Insurance loss recoverable” and “Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves” on the Company’s consolidated balance sheets, respectively, after the elimination of \$81 million and \$3 million, respectively, as a result of consolidated VIEs. As of December 31, 2015, \$382 million and \$24 million were included in “Insurance loss recoverable” and “Loss and loss adjustment expense reserves” on the Company’s consolidated balance sheets, respectively, after the elimination of \$87 million and \$6 million, respectively, as a result of consolidated VIEs.

Excess spread is generated by performing loans within insured second-lien RMBS securitizations and is the difference between interest inflows on mortgage loan collateral and interest outflows on the insured RMBS notes. The amount of excess spread depends on the future loss trends (which include future delinquency trends, average time to charge-off delinquent loans, and the availability of pool mortgage insurance), the future spread between Prime and LIBOR interest rates, and borrower refinancing behavior which results in voluntary prepayments. Minor deviations in loss trends and voluntary prepayments may substantially impact the amounts collected from excess spread. Excess spread may also include estimated recoverables from mortgage insurance contracts and subsequent recoveries on charged-off loans associated with the insured RMBS securitizations.

Put-Back Claims Related to Ineligible Mortgage Loans

To date, MBIA has settled the majority of the Company’s put-back claims. Only its claims against Credit Suisse remain outstanding. To date, settlement amounts have been consistent with the put-back recoveries that had been included in the Company’s financial statements at the time preceding the settlement.

The contract claim remaining with Credit Suisse is related to the inclusion of ineligible mortgage loans in the 2007-2 Home Equity Mortgage Trust securitization. Credit Suisse has challenged the Company’s assessment of the ineligibility of individual mortgage loans and the dispute is the subject of litigation for which there is no assurance that the Company will prevail.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company recorded estimated recoveries of \$399 million and \$396 million, respectively, related to its Credit Suisse put-back claims, reflected in “Loan repurchase commitments” presented under the heading “Assets of consolidated variable interest entities” on the Company’s consolidated balance sheets.

Based on the Company’s assessment of the strength of its contractual put-back rights against Credit Suisse, which it is pursuing through litigation claims, as well as on its prior settlements with other sellers/servicers and success of other monolines’ put-back settlements, the Company believes it will prevail in enforcing its contractual rights and that it is entitled to collect the full amount of its incurred losses, which totaled \$427 million through March 31, 2016. The Company is also entitled to collect interest on amounts paid; it believes that in context of its put-back litigation, the appropriate interest rate should be the New York State statutory rate. However, the Company currently calculates its put-back recoveries using the contractual interest rate, which is lower than the New York State statutory rate.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, uncertainty remains with respect to the ultimate outcome of the litigation with Credit Suisse, which is contemplated in the probability-weighted cash flow scenario based-modeling the Company uses. The Credit Suisse recovery scenarios are based on the amount of incurred losses measured against certain probabilities of ultimate resolution of the dispute with Credit Suisse. Most of the probability weight is assigned to partial recovery scenarios and are discounted using the current risk-free discount rates associated against the underlying transaction’s cash flows.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

The Company continues to consider all relevant facts and circumstances in developing its assumptions on expected cash inflows, probability of potential recoveries (including the outcome of litigation) and recovery period. The estimated amount and likelihood of potential recoveries are expected to be revised and supplemented to the extent there are developments in the pending litigation and/or changes to the financial condition of Credit Suisse. While the Company believes it will be successful in realizing its recoveries from its contract claims against Credit Suisse, the ultimate amounts recovered may be materially different from those recorded by the Company given the inherent uncertainty of the manner of resolving the claims (i.e., litigation and/or negotiated out-of-court settlement) and the assumptions used in the required estimation process for accounting purposes which are based, in part, on judgments and other information that are not easily corroborated by historical data or other relevant benchmarks.

First-lien RMBS Reserves

The Company's first-lien RMBS case basis reserves as of March 31, 2016, which primarily relate to RMBS backed by alternative A-paper and subprime mortgage loans, were determined using the Roll Rate Methodology. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's loss and LAE reserves were \$297 million and \$277 million, respectively, related to first-lien RMBS issues after the elimination of \$5 million as a result of consolidated VIEs.

CDO Reserves

The Company also has loss and LAE reserves on certain transactions within its CDO portfolio, including its multi-sector CDO and high yield corporate CDO asset classes that were insured in the form of financial guarantee policies. MBIA's insured multi-sector CDOs are transactions that include a variety of collateral ranging from corporate bonds to structured finance assets (which includes, but are not limited to, RMBS-related collateral, multi-sector and corporate CDOs). MBIA's high yield corporate CDO portfolio comprises middle-market/special-opportunity corporate loan transactions.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's loss and LAE reserves were \$102 million and \$133 million, respectively, related to the total CDO financial guarantee insurance portfolio after the elimination of \$199 million and \$190 million, respectively, as a result of consolidated VIEs. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company had a benefit in losses and LAE of \$31 million recorded in earnings related to the total CDO financial guarantee insurance portfolio after the elimination of \$13 million as a result of consolidated VIEs. In the event of further deteriorating performance of the collateral referenced or held in the total CDO portfolio, the amount of losses estimated by the Company could increase substantially.

Refer to "Note 6: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, for additional information on the Company's process for estimating reserves on these policies. The methods and assumptions for estimating reserves require substantial judgement of the future performance of each transaction. Actual losses will be a function of the proportion of collateral in the pools that default and the loss severities associated with those defaults.

Loss and LAE Activity

Financial Guarantee Insurance Losses (Excluding Insured Credit Derivative and Consolidated VIEs)

The Company's financial guarantee insurance losses and LAE, net of reinsurance for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are presented in the following table:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
U.S. Public Finance Insurance Segment	\$ 9	\$ (6)
International and Structured Finance Insurance Segment:		
Second-lien RMBS	12	(8)
First-lien RMBS	26	9
Other ⁽¹⁾	(25)	(1)
Losses and LAE expense (benefit)	<u>\$ 22</u>	<u>\$ (6)</u>

(1) - Includes ABS CDOs, CMBS, non-U.S. public finance and other issues.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, losses and LAE primarily related to increases in expected payments on insured first-lien RMBS transactions and certain Puerto Rico exposures and decreases in projected collections from excess spread within insured second-lien RMBS securitizations. These were partially offset by decreases in expected payments related to CDOs.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

For the three months ended March 31, 2015, the benefit in losses and LAE primarily related to decreases in expected payments on insured second-lien RMBS transactions and decreases in reserves for certain municipal utilities and general obligation bonds in the U.S. public finance segment. These were partially offset by increases in expected payments on insured first-lien RMBS transactions.

Costs associated with remediating insured obligations assigned to the Company's surveillance categories are recorded as LAE and included in "Losses and loss adjustment" expenses on the Company's consolidated statements of operations. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, gross LAE related to remediating insured obligations were \$8 million and a benefit of \$2 million, respectively.

The following table provides information about the financial guarantees and related claim liability included in each of MBIA's surveillance categories as of March 31, 2016:

\$ in millions	Surveillance Categories				
	Caution List Low	Caution List Medium	Caution List High	Classified List	Total
Number of policies	55	16	5	333	409
Number of issues ⁽¹⁾	12	5	3	121	141
Remaining weighted average contract period (in years)	8.1	6.5	7.6	7.3	7.5
Gross insured contractual payments outstanding: ⁽²⁾					
Principal	\$2,529	\$ 147	\$ 370	\$ 7,902	\$10,948
Interest	2,713	55	132	3,185	6,085
Total	<u>\$5,242</u>	<u>\$ 202</u>	<u>\$ 502</u>	<u>\$11,087</u>	<u>\$17,033</u>
Gross Claim Liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 762	\$ 762
Less:					
Gross Potential Recoveries	-	-	-	541	541
Discount, net ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	109	109
Net claim liability (recoverable)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 112</u>
Unearned premium revenue	\$ 8	\$ 2	\$ 9	\$ 78	\$ 97

(1) - An "issue" represents the aggregate of financial guarantee policies that share the same revenue source for purposes of making debt service payments.
(2) - Represents contractual principal and interest payments due by the issuer of the obligations insured by MBIA.
(3) - Represents discount related to Gross Claim Liability and Gross Potential Recoveries.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

The following table provides information about the financial guarantees and related claim liability included in each of MBIA’s surveillance categories as of December 31, 2015:

\$ in millions	Surveillance Categories				
	Cautious List Low	Cautious List Medium	Cautious List High	Classified List	Total
Number of policies	57	18	171	165	411
Number of issues ⁽¹⁾	12	6	5	117	140
Remaining weighted average contract period (in years)	7.6	6.7	9.6	6.7	7.4
Gross insured contractual payments outstanding: ⁽²⁾					
Principal	\$2,591	\$ 147	\$1,996	\$ 6,426	\$11,160
Interest	2,733	57	1,038	2,419	6,247
Total	<u>\$5,324</u>	<u>\$ 204</u>	<u>\$3,034</u>	<u>\$ 8,845</u>	<u>\$17,407</u>
Gross Claim Liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 797	\$ 797
Less:					
Gross Potential Recoveries	-	-	-	752	752
Discount, net ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	116	116
Net claim liability (recoverable)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (71)</u>	<u>\$ (71)</u>
Unearned premium revenue	\$ 8	\$ 2	\$ 33	\$ 55	\$ 98

(1) - An “issue” represents the aggregate of financial guarantee policies that share the same revenue source for purposes of making debt service payments.
(2) - Represents contractual principal and interest payments due by the issuer of the obligations insured by MBIA.
(3) - Represents discount related to Gross Claim Liability and Gross Potential Recoveries.

The gross claim liability in the preceding tables represent the Company’s estimate of undiscounted probability-weighted estimated future claim payments. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the gross claim liability primarily related to insured first-lien RMBS transactions.

The gross potential recoveries represent the Company’s estimate of undiscounted probability-weighted recoveries of actual claim payments and recoveries of estimated future claim payments. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the gross potential recoveries principally related to insured second-lien RMBS. The Company’s recoveries have been, and remain based on either salvage rights, the rights conferred to MBIA through the transactional documents (inclusive of the insurance agreement), or subrogation rights embedded within financial guarantee insurance policies. Expected salvage and subrogation recoveries, as well as recoveries from other remediation efforts, reduce the Company’s claim liability. Once a claim payment has been made, the claim liability has been satisfied and MBIA’s right to recovery is no longer considered an offset to future expected claim payments, it is recorded as a salvage asset. The amount of recoveries recorded by the Company is limited to paid claims plus the present value of projected estimated future claim payments. As claim payments are made, the recorded amount of potential recoveries may exceed the remaining amount of the claim liability for a given policy. The gross claim liability and gross potential recoveries reflect the elimination of claim liabilities and potential recoveries related to VIEs consolidated by the Company.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

The following table presents the components of the Company’s loss and LAE reserves and insurance loss recoverable as reported on the Company’s consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 for insured obligations within MBIA’s “Classified List.” The loss reserves (claim liability) and insurance claim loss recoverable included in the following table represent the present value of the probability-weighted estimated future claim payments and recoveries reported in the preceding tables.

In millions	As of March 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2015
Loss reserves (claim liability)	\$ 476	\$ 470
LAE reserves	49	46
Loss and LAE reserves	\$ 525	\$ 516
Insurance claim loss recoverable	\$ (407)	\$ (571)
LAE insurance loss recoverable	(2)	(6)
Insurance loss recoverable	\$ (409)	\$ (577)
Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses	\$ 5	\$ 6
Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid LAE reserves	1	-
Reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses	\$ 6	\$ 6

As of March 31, 2016, loss and LAE reserves include \$626 million of reserves for expected future payments, partially offset by \$101 million of expected recoveries of such future payments. As of December 31, 2015, loss and LAE reserves include \$616 million of reserves for expected future payments, partially offset by \$100 million of expected recoveries of such future payments.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the insurance loss recoverable primarily related to expected future recoveries on second-lien RMBS transactions resulting from excess spread generated by performing loans in such transactions. The decrease in 2016 was primarily due to a decrease in expected future recoveries on CDOs as the result of the consolidation and elimination of a VIE.

The following table presents changes in the Company’s loss and LAE reserves for the three months ended March 31, 2016. Changes in loss and LAE reserves attributable to the accretion of the claim liability discount, changes in discount rates, changes in amount and timing of estimated claim payments and recoveries, changes in assumptions and changes in LAE reserves are recorded in “Losses and loss adjustment” expenses in the Company’s consolidated statements of operations. As of March 31, 2016, the weighted average risk-free rate used to discount the Company’s loss reserves (claim liability) was 1.46%. LAE reserves are generally expected to be settled within a one-year period and are not discounted.

In millions	Changes in Loss and LAE Reserves for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016							Gross Loss and LAE Reserves as of March 31, 2016
Gross Loss and LAE Reserves as of December 31, 2015	Loss Payments for Cases with Reserves	Accretion of Claim Liability Discount	Changes in Discount Rates	Changes in Assumptions	Changes in Unearned Premium Revenue	Changes in LAE Reserves	Other ⁽¹⁾	
\$ 516	\$ (8)	\$ 2	\$ 18	\$ 12	\$ (12)	\$ 3	\$ (6)	\$ 525

(1) - Primarily changes in the amount and timing of payments.

The increase in the Company’s gross loss and LAE reserves reflected in the preceding table was primarily related to changes in discount rates on insured first and second-lien RMBS transactions and changes in assumptions on public finance issues. These were partially offset by changes in assumptions on CDOs.

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Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves (continued)

Current period changes in the Company’s estimate of potential recoveries may be recorded as an insurance loss recoverable asset, netted against the gross loss and LAE reserve liability, or both. The following table presents changes in the Company’s insurance loss recoverable and changes in recoveries on unpaid losses reported within the Company’s claim liability for the three months ended March 31, 2016. Changes in insurance loss recoverable attributable to the accretion of the discount on the recoverable, changes in discount rates, changes in amount and timing of estimated collections, changes in assumptions and changes in LAE recoveries are recorded in “Losses and loss adjustment” expenses in the Company’s consolidated statements of operations.

In millions	Changes in Insurance Loss Recoverable and Recoveries on Unpaid Losses for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016							Gross Reserve as of March 31, 2016
	Gross Reserve as of December 31, 2015	Collections for Cases with Recoveries	Accretion of Recoveries	Changes in Discount Rates	Changes in Assumptions	Changes in LAE Recoveries	Other ⁽¹⁾	
Insurance loss recoverable	\$ 577	\$ (17)	\$ 2	\$ 7	\$ (123)	\$ (4)	\$ (33)	\$ 409
Recoveries on unpaid losses	100	-	1	6	(11)	5	-	101
Total	\$ 677	\$ (17)	\$ 3	\$ 13	\$ (134)	\$ 1	\$ (33)	\$ 510

(1) Primarily changes in amount and timing of collections.

The decrease in the Company’s insurance loss recoverable and recoveries on unpaid losses during 2016 was primarily due to a decrease in expected future recoveries on CDOs as the result of the consolidation and elimination of a VIE.

Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair Value Measurement

Fair value is a market-based measurement considered from the perspective of a market participant. Therefore, even when market assumptions are not readily available, the Company’s own assumptions are set to reflect those which it believes market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability at the measurement date. The fair value measurement of financial instruments held or issued by the Company are determined through the use of observable market data when available. Market data is obtained from a variety of third-party sources, including dealer quotes. If dealer quotes are not available for an instrument that is infrequently traded, the Company uses alternate valuation methods, including either dealer quotes for similar instruments or modeling using market data inputs. The use of alternate valuation methods generally requires considerable judgment in the application of estimates and assumptions and changes to such estimates and assumptions may produce materially different fair values.

The accounting guidance for fair value measurement establishes a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available and reliable. Observable inputs are those the Company believes that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on available market data. Unobservable inputs are those that reflect the Company’s beliefs about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability based on available information. The fair value hierarchy is categorized into three levels based on the observability and reliability of inputs, as follows:

- Level 1—Valuations based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company can access. Valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, with significant trading volumes.
- Level 2—Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 assets include debt securities with quoted prices that are traded less frequently than exchange-traded instruments, securities which are priced using observable inputs and derivative contracts whose values are determined using a pricing model with inputs that are observable in the market or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3—Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the overall fair value measurement. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques where significant inputs are unobservable, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation.

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The availability of observable inputs can vary from financial instrument to financial instrument and period to period and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of product, whether the product is new and not yet established in the marketplace, and other characteristics particular to the product. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the Company assigns the level in the fair value hierarchy for which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls, based on the least observable input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Financial Assets (excluding derivative assets)

Financial assets, excluding derivative assets, held by the Company primarily consist of investments in debt securities. Substantially all of the Company's investments are priced by independent third parties, including pricing services and brokers. Typically, the Company receives one pricing service value or broker quote for each instrument, which represents a non-binding indication of value. The Company, along with its third-party portfolio manager, reviews the assumptions, inputs and methodologies used by pricing services and brokers to obtain reasonable assurance that the prices used in its valuations reflect fair value. When the Company and its third-party portfolio manager believe a third-party quotation differs significantly from its internally developed expectation of fair value, whether higher or lower, the Company reviews its data or assumptions with the provider. This review includes comparing significant assumptions such as prepayment speeds, default ratios, forward yield curves, credit spreads and other significant quantitative inputs to internal assumptions, and working with the price provider to reconcile the differences. The price provider may subsequently provide an updated price. In the event that the price provider does not update its price, and the Company still does not agree with the price provided, its third-party portfolio manager will obtain a price from another third-party provider or use an internally developed price which it believes represents the fair value of the investment. The fair values of investments for which internal prices were used were not significant to the aggregate fair value of the Company's investment portfolio as of March 31, 2016 or December 31, 2015. All challenges to third-party prices are reviewed by staff of the Company as well as its third-party portfolio manager with relevant expertise to ensure reasonableness of assumptions. A pricing analysis is reviewed and approved by the Company's Valuation Committee.

Financial Liabilities (excluding derivative liabilities)

Financial liabilities, excluding derivative liabilities, issued by the Company primarily consist of debt issued for general corporate purposes within its corporate segment, medium-term notes ("MTNs"), investment agreements, debt issued by consolidated VIEs and warrants. Investment agreements, MTNs, and corporate debt are typically recorded at face value adjusted for premiums or discounts. The majority of the financial liabilities that the Company has elected to fair value or that require fair value reporting or disclosures are valued based on the estimated value of the underlying collateral, the Company's or a third-party's estimate of discounted cash flow model estimates, or quoted market values for similar products. These valuations include adjustments for expected nonperformance risk of the Company.

Derivative Liabilities

The Company's derivative liabilities are primarily interest rate swaps and insured credit derivatives. The Company's insured credit derivative contracts are non-traded structured credit derivative transactions. Since insured derivatives are highly customized and there is generally no observable market for these derivatives, the Company estimates their fair values in a hypothetical market based on internal and third-party models simulating what a similar company would charge to assume the Company's position in the transaction at the measurement date. This pricing would be based on the expected loss of the exposure. The Company reviews its valuation model results on a quarterly basis to assess the appropriateness of the assumptions and results in light of current market activity and conditions. This review is performed by internal staff with relevant expertise. If live market spreads or securities prices are observable for similar transactions, those spreads are an integral part of the analysis. New insured transactions that resemble existing (previously insured) transactions, if any, would be considered, as well as negotiated settlements of existing transactions.

Internal Review Process

All significant financial assets and liabilities are reviewed by a committee created by the Company to ensure compliance with the Company's policies and risk procedures in the development of fair values of financial assets and liabilities. This valuation committee reviews, among other things, key assumptions used for internally developed prices, significant changes in sources and uses of inputs, including changes in model approaches, and any adjustments from third-party inputs or prices to internally developed inputs or prices. The committee also reviews any significant impairment or improvements in fair values of the financial instruments from prior periods. The committee is comprised of senior finance team members with relevant experience in the financial instruments their committee is responsible for. For each quarter, the committee documents their agreement with the fair values developed by management of the Company as reported in the quarterly and annual financial statements.

Valuation Techniques

Valuation techniques for financial instruments measured at fair value or disclosed at fair value are described below.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

Fixed-Maturity Securities (including short-term investments) Held as Available-For-Sale, Investments Carried at Fair Value, Investments Pledged as Collateral, Investments Held-to-Maturity, and Other Investments

These investments include investments in U.S. Treasury and government agencies, state and municipal bonds, foreign governments, corporate obligations, MBS, asset-backed securities (“ABS”), money market securities, and perpetual debt and equity securities.

These investments are generally valued based on recently executed transaction prices or quoted market prices. When quoted market prices are not available, fair value is generally determined using quoted prices of similar investments or a valuation model based on observable and unobservable inputs. Inputs vary depending on the type of investment. Observable inputs include contractual cash flows, interest rate yield curves, CDS spreads, prepayment and volatility scores, diversity scores, cross-currency basis index spreads, and credit spreads for structures similar to the financial instrument in terms of issuer, maturity and seniority. Unobservable inputs include cash flow projections and the value of any credit enhancement.

The fair value of the held-to-maturity (“HTM”) investments is determined using discounted cash flow models. Key inputs include unobservable cash flows projected over the expected term of the investment discounted using observable interest rate yield curves of similar securities.

Investments based on quoted market prices of identical investments in active markets are classified as Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. Level 1 investments generally consist of U.S. Treasury and government agency, foreign government, money market securities and perpetual debt and equity securities. Quoted market prices of investments in less active markets, as well as investments which are valued based on other than quoted prices for which the inputs are observable, such as interest rate yield curves, are categorized in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Investments that contain significant inputs that are not observable are categorized as Level 3.

Cash and Cash Equivalents, Receivable for Investments Sold, Securities Sold Not Yet Purchased, Payable for Investments Purchased, and Accrued Investment Income

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivable for investments sold, securities sold, not yet purchased, payable for investments purchased, and accrued investment income approximate fair values due to the short-term nature and credit worthiness of these instruments. These items are categorized in Level 1 or Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Loans Receivable at Fair Value

Loans receivable at fair value are comprised of loans held by consolidated VIEs consisting of residential mortgage, corporate and commercial loans. Fair values of residential mortgage loans are determined using quoted prices for MBS issued by the respective VIE and adjusted for the fair values of the financial guarantees provided by MBIA Corp. on the related MBS. Fair values of corporate and commercial loans are either obtained from a pricing service and determined using actively quoted prices obtained from multiple market participants, or based on discounted cash flow methodologies. Loans receivable at fair value are categorized in Level 2 or Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy based on the input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

Loan Repurchase Commitments

Loan repurchase commitments are obligations owed by the sellers/servicers of mortgage loans to either MBIA as reimbursement of paid claims or to the RMBS trusts as defined in the transaction documents. Loan repurchase commitments are assets of the consolidated VIEs. This asset represents the rights of MBIA against the sellers/servicers for breaches of representations and warranties that the securitized residential mortgage loans sold to the trust to comply with stated underwriting guidelines and for the sellers/servicers to cure, replace, or repurchase mortgage loans. Fair value measurements of loan repurchase commitments represent the amounts owed by the sellers/servicers to MBIA as reimbursement of paid claims. Loan repurchase commitments are not securities and no quoted prices or comparable market transaction information are observable or available. Fair values of loan repurchase commitments are determined using discounted cash flow techniques and are categorized in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

Long-term Debt

Long-term debt consists of notes, debentures, surplus notes and accrued interest on this debt. The fair value of long-term notes, debentures and surplus notes are estimated based on quoted prices for these or similar securities. The fair value of the accrued interest expense on the surplus notes due in 2033 is determined based on the scheduled interest payments discounted by the market's perception of the credit risk related to the repayment of the surplus notes. The credit risk related to the repayment of the surplus notes is based on recent trades of the surplus notes. The deferred interest payment will be due on the first business day on or after which MBIA Insurance Corporation obtains approval to make such payment.

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The carrying amounts of accrued interest expense on all other long-term debt approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments. Long-term debt is categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Medium-Term Notes

The fair values of certain MTNs are based on quoted market prices provided by third-party sources, where available. When quoted market prices are not available, the Company applies a matrix pricing grid based on the quoted market prices received and the MTNs' stated maturity and interest rate to determine fair value. Nonperformance risk is included in the quoted market prices and the matrix pricing grid. The Company has elected to record these MTNs at fair value as they contain embedded derivatives which cannot accurately be separated from the host debt instrument and fair valued separately, therefore, these MTNs are carried at fair value with changes in fair value reflected in earnings. The remaining MTNs, which are not carried at fair value, do not contain embedded derivatives. As these MTNs are illiquid and the prices reflect significant unobservable inputs, they are categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

Investment Agreements

The fair values of investment agreements are determined using discounted cash flow techniques based on contractual cash flows and observable interest rates currently being offered for similar agreements with comparable maturity dates. Investment agreements contain collateralization and termination agreements that substantially mitigate the nonperformance risk of the Company. As the terms of the notes are private, and the timing and amount of contractual cash flows are not observable, these investment agreements are categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

Variable Interest Entity Notes

The fair values of VIE notes are determined based on recently executed transaction prices or quoted prices where observable. When position-specific quoted prices are not observable, fair values are based on quoted prices of similar securities. Fair values based on quoted prices of similar securities may be adjusted for factors unique to the securities, including any credit enhancement. When observable quoted prices are not available, fair value is determined based on discounted cash flow techniques of the underlying collateral using observable and unobservable inputs. Observable inputs include interest rate yield curves and bond spreads of similar securities. Unobservable inputs include the value of any credit enhancement. VIE notes are categorized in Level 2 or Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

Variable Interest Entity Derivatives

The VIEs have entered into derivative transactions consisting of cross currency swaps, interest rate derivatives and interest rate caps. Fair values of over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives are determined using valuation models based on observable and/or unobservable inputs. These observable and market-based inputs include interest rates and volatilities. These derivatives are categorized in Level 2 or Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy based on the input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

Derivatives

The corporate segment has entered into derivative transactions primarily consisting of interest rate swaps. Fair values of OTC derivatives are determined using valuation models based on observable inputs, nonperformance risk of the Company's own credit and nonperformance risk of the counterparties. Observable and market-based inputs include interest rate yields, credit spreads and volatilities. These derivatives are categorized in Level 2 or Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

The Company has policies and procedures in place regarding counterparties, including review and approval of the counterparty and the Company's exposure limit, collateral posting requirements, collateral monitoring and margin calls on collateral. The Company manages counterparty credit risk on an individual counterparty basis through master netting agreements covering derivative transactions in the corporate segment. These agreements allow the Company to contractually net amounts due from a counterparty with those amounts due to such counterparty when certain triggering events occur. The Company only executes swaps under master netting agreements, which typically contain mutual credit downgrade provisions that generally provide the ability to require assignment or termination in the event either the Company or the counterparty is downgraded below a specified credit rating. The netting agreements minimize the potential for losses related to credit exposure and thus serve to mitigate the Company's nonperformance risk under these derivatives.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

In certain cases, the Company also manages credit risk through collateral agreements that give the Company the right to hold or the obligation to provide collateral when the current market value of derivative contracts exceeds an exposure threshold. Under these agreements, the Company may provide U.S. Treasury and other highly rated securities or cash to secure the derivative. The delivery of high-quality collateral can minimize credit exposure and mitigate the potential for nonperformance risk impacting the fair values of the derivatives.

Derivatives—Insurance

The derivative contracts insured by the Company cannot be legally traded and generally do not have observable market prices. The Company determines the fair values of insured credit derivatives using valuation models. The valuation models are consistently applied from period to period, with refinements to the fair value estimation approach being applied as and when the information becomes available. Negotiated settlements are also considered when determining fair value to validate the fair value estimates determined by the valuation models and to determine the best available estimate of fair value from the perspective of a market participant.

Approximately 88% of the balance sheet fair value of insured credit derivatives as of March 31, 2016 was valued based on the Binomial Expansion Technique (“BET”) Model. Approximately 12% of the balance sheet fair value of insured credit derivatives as of March 31, 2016 was valued based on the internally developed Direct Price Model and the Dual Default model. The valuation of insured derivatives includes the impact of its credit standing. All of these derivatives are categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy as their fair value is derived using significant unobservable inputs.

Valuation Model Overview

The Company uses the BET Model to estimate what a bond insurer would charge to guarantee a transaction at the measurement date, based on the market-implied default risk of the underlying collateral and the remaining structural protection in a deductible or subordination.

Inputs to the process of determining fair value for structured transactions using the BET Model include estimates of collateral loss, allocation of loss to separate tranches of the capital structure, credit spreads, recovery rates and nonperformance risk.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company's net insured CDS derivative liability was \$99 million and \$85 million, respectively, based on the results of the aforementioned models. A significant driver of changes in fair value is MBIA Corp.'s nonperformance risk. In aggregate, the nonperformance calculation resulted in a pre-tax net insured derivative liability that was \$81 million and \$99 million lower than the net liability that would have been estimated if MBIA Corp. excluded nonperformance risk in its valuation as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. Nonperformance risk is a fair value concept and does not contradict MBIA Corp.'s internal view, based on fundamental credit analysis of MBIA Corp.'s economic condition, that MBIA Corp. will be able to pay all claims when due.

The Company has also entered into a derivative contract as a result of a commutation. The fair value of the derivative is determined using a discounted cash flow model. Key inputs include unobservable cash flows projected over the expected term of the derivative, discounted using observable discount rates and CDS spreads.

Warrants

Stock warrants issued by the Company are valued using the Black-Scholes model and are recorded at fair value. Inputs into the warrant valuation include the Company's stock price, a volatility parameter, interest rates, and dividend data. As all significant inputs are market-based and observable, warrants are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Financial Guarantees

Gross Financial Guarantees—The fair value of gross financial guarantees is determined using discounted cash flow techniques based on inputs that include (i) assumptions of expected losses on financial guarantee policies where loss reserves have not been recognized, (ii) amount of losses expected on financial guarantee policies where loss reserves have been established, net of expected recoveries, (iii) the cost of capital reserves required to support the financial guarantee liability, (iv) operating expenses, and (v) discount rates. The MBIA Corp. CDS spread and recovery rate are used as the discount rate for MBIA Corp., while the CDS spread and recovery rate of a similar municipal bond insurance company are used as the discount rate for National, as National does not have a published CDS spread and recovery rate.

The carrying value of the Company's gross financial guarantees consists of unearned premium revenue and loss and LAE reserves, net of the insurance loss recoverable as reported on MBIA's consolidated balance sheets.

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Ceded Financial Guarantees—The fair value of ceded financial guarantees is determined by applying the percentage ceded to reinsurers to the related fair value of the gross financial guarantees. The carrying value of ceded financial guarantees consists of prepaid reinsurance premiums and reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses as reported within “Other assets” on the Company’s consolidated balance sheets.

Significant Unobservable Inputs

The following tables provide quantitative information regarding the significant unobservable inputs used by the Company for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. These tables exclude inputs used to measure fair value that are not developed by the Company, such as broker prices and other third-party pricing service valuations.

In millions	Fair Value as of March 31, 2016	Valuation Techniques	Unobservable Input	Range (Weighted Average)
Assets of consolidated VIEs:				
Loans receivable at fair value	\$ 1,368	Market prices adjusted for financial guarantees provided to VIE obligations	Impact of financial guarantee	0% - 6% (2%)
		Discounted cash flow	Multiples ⁽¹⁾	
Loan repurchase commitments	399	Discounted cash flow	Recovery rates ⁽²⁾	
			Breach rates ⁽²⁾	
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:				
Variable interest entity notes	1,176	Market prices of VIE assets adjusted for financial guarantees provided	Impact of financial guarantee	0% - 52% (9%)
Credit derivative liabilities, net:				
CMBS	87	BET Model	Recovery rates	25% - 90% (63%)
			Nonperformance risk	24% - 44% (43%)
			Weighted average life (in years)	1.0 - 3.2 (1.5)
			CMBS spreads	0% - 62% (22%)
Multi-sector CDO	4	Direct Price Model	Nonperformance risk	57% - 57% (57%)
Other	8	BET Model and Dual Default	Recovery rates	45% - 45% (45%)
			Nonperformance risk	51% - 57% (57%)
			Weighted average life (in years)	0.3 -7.1 (1.4)
Other derivative liabilities	19	Discounted cash flow	Cash flows	\$0 - \$83 (\$42) ⁽³⁾

(1) - Unobservable inputs are not developed by the Company.
(2) - Recovery rates and breach rates include estimates about potential variations in the outcome of litigation with a counterparty.
(3) - Midpoint of cash flows are used for the weighted average.

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In millions	Fair Value as of December 31, 2015	Valuation Techniques	Unobservable Input	Range (Weighted Average)
Assets of consolidated VIEs:				
Loans receivable at fair value	\$ 1,292	Market prices adjusted for financial guarantees provided to VIE obligations	Impact of financial guarantee	0% - 5% (1%)
Loan repurchase commitments	396	Discounted cash flow	Recovery rates ⁽¹⁾ Breach rates ⁽¹⁾	
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:				
Variable interest entity notes	1,267	Market prices of VIE assets adjusted for financial guarantees provided	Impact of financial guarantee	0% - 37% (14%)
Credit derivative liabilities, net:				
CMBS	72	BET Model	Recovery rates Nonperformance risk Weighted average life (in years)	25% - 90% (66%) 33% - 55% (54%) 1.1 - 3.2 (1.6)
Multi-sector CDO	3	Direct Price Model	CMBS spreads	0% - 59% (19%)
Other	10	BET Model and Dual Default	Nonperformance risk Recovery rates Nonperformance risk Weighted average life (in years)	59% - 59% (59%) 42% - 45% (43%) 59% - 59% (59%) 0.5 - 7.3 (1.9)
Other derivative liabilities	18	Discounted cash flow	Cash flows	\$0 - \$83 (\$42) ⁽²⁾

(1) - Recovery rates and breach rates include estimates about potential variations in the outcome of litigation with a counterparty.
(2) - Midpoint of cash flows are used for the weighted average.

Sensitivity of Significant Unobservable Inputs

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's loans receivable at fair value of consolidated VIEs are the impact of the financial guarantee and multiples. The fair value of loans receivable are calculated by subtracting the value of the financial guarantee from the market value of VIE liabilities and by discounted cash flow methodologies. The value of a financial guarantee is estimated by the Company as the present value of expected cash payments under the policy. As expected cash payments provided by the Company under the insurance policy increase, there is a lower expected cash flow on the underlying loans receivable of the VIE. This results in a lower fair value of the loans receivable in relation to the obligations of the VIE.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Company's loan repurchase commitments of consolidated VIEs are the recovery rates and breach rates. Recovery rates reflect the estimates of future cash flows reduced for litigation delays and risks and/or potential financial distress of the sellers/servicers. The estimated recoveries of the loan repurchase commitments may differ from the actual recoveries that may be received in the future. Breach rates represent the rate at which mortgages fail to comply with stated representations and warranties of the sellers/servicers. Significant increases or decreases in the recovery rates and the breach rates would result in significantly higher or lower fair values of the loan repurchase commitments, respectively. Additionally, changes in the legal environment and the ability of the counterparties to pay would impact the recovery rate assumptions, which could significantly impact the fair value measurement. Any significant challenges by the counterparties to the Company's determination of breaches of representations and warranties could significantly adversely impact the fair value measurement. Recovery rates and breach rates are determined independently. Changes in one input will not necessarily have any impact on the other input.

The significant unobservable input used in the fair value measurement of the Company's VIE notes of consolidated VIEs is the impact of the financial guarantee. The fair value of VIE notes is calculated by adding the value of the financial guarantee to the market value of VIE assets. The value of a financial guarantee is estimated by the Company as the present value of expected cash payments under the policy. As the value of the guarantee provided by the Company to the obligations issued by the VIE increases, the credit support adds value to the liabilities of the VIE. This results in an increase in the fair value of the liabilities of the VIE.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of MBIA Corp.'s CMBS credit derivatives, which are valued using the BET Model, are CMBS spreads, recovery rates, nonperformance risk and weighted average life. The CMBS spread is an indicator of credit risk of the collateral securities. The recovery rate represents the percentage of notional expected to be recovered after an asset defaults, indicating the severity of a potential loss. The nonperformance risk is an assumption of MBIA Corp.'s own ability to pay and whether MBIA Corp. will have the necessary resources to pay the obligations as they come due. Weighted average life is based on the Company's estimate of when the principal of the underlying collateral of the CMBS structure will be repaid. A significant increase or decrease in CMBS spreads would result in an increase or decrease in the fair value of the derivative liability, respectively. A significant increase in weighted average life can result in an increase or decrease in the fair value of the derivative liability, depending on the discount rate and the timing of significant losses. Any significant increase or decrease in recovery rates, or MBIA Corp.'s nonperformance risk would result in a decrease or increase in the fair value of the derivative liabilities, respectively. CMBS spreads, recovery rates, nonperformance risk and weighted average lives are determined independently. Changes in one input will not necessarily have any impact on the other inputs.

The significant unobservable input used in the fair value measurement of MBIA Corp.'s multi-sector CDO credit derivatives, which are valued using the Direct Price Model, is nonperformance risk. The nonperformance risk is an assumption of MBIA Corp.'s own ability to pay and whether MBIA Corp. will have the necessary resources to pay the obligations as they come due. Any significant increase or decrease in MBIA Corp.'s nonperformance risk would result in a decrease or increase in the fair value of the derivative liabilities, respectively.

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of MBIA Corp.'s other credit derivatives, which are valued using the BET Model and Dual Default, are recovery rates, nonperformance risk and weighted average life. The recovery rate represents the percentage of notional expected to be recovered after an asset defaults, indicating the severity of a potential loss. The nonperformance risk is an assumption of MBIA Corp.'s own ability to pay and whether MBIA Corp. will have the necessary resources to pay the obligations as they come due. Weighted average life is based on MBIA Corp.'s estimate of when the principal of the underlying collateral will be repaid. A significant increase in weighted average life can result in an increase or decrease in the fair value of the derivative liability, depending on the discount rate and the timing of significant losses. Any significant increase or decrease in recovery rates or MBIA Corp.'s nonperformance risk would result in a decrease or increase in the fair value of the derivative liabilities, respectively. Recovery rates, nonperformance risk and weighted average lives are determined independently. Changes in one input will not necessarily have any impact on the other inputs.

The significant unobservable input used in the fair value measurement of MBIA Corp.'s other derivatives, which are valued using a discounted cash flow model, is the estimates of future cash flows discounted using market rates and CDS spreads. Any significant increase or decrease in future cash flows would result in an increase or decrease in the fair value of the derivative liability, respectively.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

Fair Value Measurements

The following tables present the fair value of the Company's assets (including short-term investments) and liabilities measured and reported at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

In millions	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using				Balance as of March 31, 2016
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Counterparty and Cash Collateral Netting	
Assets:					
Fixed-maturity investments:					
U.S. Treasury and government agency	\$ 1,111	\$ 115	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,226
State and municipal bonds	-	1,643	3 ⁽¹⁾	-	1,646
Foreign governments	149	38	2 ⁽¹⁾	-	189
Corporate obligations	-	1,588	1 ⁽¹⁾	-	1,589
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Residential mortgage-backed agency	-	968	-	-	968
Residential mortgage-backed non- agency	-	49	-	-	49
Commercial mortgage-backed	-	29	-	-	29
Asset-backed securities:					
Collateralized debt obligations	-	4	26 ⁽¹⁾	-	30
Other asset-backed	-	320	39 ⁽¹⁾	-	359
Total fixed-maturity investments	1,260	4,754	71	-	6,085
Money market securities	207	-	-	-	207
Perpetual debt and equity securities	22	188	-	-	210
Cash and cash equivalents	285	-	-	-	285
Derivative assets:					
Non-insured derivative assets:					
Interest rate derivatives	-	4	-	(1)	3

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In millions	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using				Balance as of March 31, 2016
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Counterparty and Cash Collateral Netting	
Assets of consolidated VIEs:					
Corporate obligations	-	38	1 ⁽¹⁾	-	39
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	-	161	-	-	161
Commercial mortgage-backed	2	611	2 ⁽¹⁾	-	615
Asset-backed securities:					
Collateralized debt obligations	-	12	1 ⁽¹⁾	-	13
Other asset-backed	-	17	3 ⁽¹⁾	-	20
Cash	47	-	-	-	47
Loans receivable at fair value:					
Residential loans receivable	-	-	1,115	-	1,115
Other loans receivable	-	-	253	-	253
Loan repurchase commitments	-	-	399	-	399
Derivative assets:					
Currency derivatives	-	-	5 ⁽¹⁾	-	5
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,823</u>	<u>\$ 5,785</u>	<u>\$ 1,850</u>	<u>\$ (1)</u>	<u>\$ 9,457</u>
Liabilities:					
Medium-term notes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165 ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ 165
Derivative liabilities:					
Insured derivatives:					
Credit derivatives	-	3	99	-	102
Non-insured derivatives:					
Interest rate derivatives	-	282	-	(45)	237
Other	-	-	19	-	19
Other liabilities:					
Warrants	-	29	-	-	29
Securities sold, not yet purchased	3	-	-	-	3
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:					
Variable interest entity notes	-	1,028	1,176	-	2,204
Derivative liabilities:					
Interest rate derivatives	-	36	-	-	36
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ 1,378</u>	<u>\$ 1,459</u>	<u>\$ (45)</u>	<u>\$ 2,795</u>

(1) - Unobservable inputs are either not developed by the Company or do not significantly impact the overall fair values of the aggregate financial assets and liabilities.

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In millions	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using				Balance as of December 31, 2015
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Counterparty and Cash Collateral Netting	
Assets:					
Fixed-maturity investments:					
U.S. Treasury and government agency	\$ 866	\$ 110	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 976
State and municipal bonds	-	1,685	41 ⁽¹⁾	-	1,726
Foreign governments	153	43	2 ⁽¹⁾	-	198
Corporate obligations	-	1,450	7 ⁽¹⁾	-	1,457
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Residential mortgage-backed agency	-	993	-	-	993
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	-	51	-	-	51
Commercial mortgage-backed	-	31	-	-	31
Asset-backed securities:					
Collateralized debt obligations	-	5	29 ⁽¹⁾	-	34
Other asset-backed	-	281	38 ⁽¹⁾	-	319
Total fixed-maturity investments	1,019	4,649	117	-	5,785
Money market securities	354	-	-	-	354
Perpetual debt and equity securities	18	190	-	-	208
Cash and cash equivalents	464	-	-	-	464
Derivative assets:					
Non-insured derivative assets:					
Interest rate derivatives	-	4	-	(1)	3

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

In millions	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using				Balance as of December 31, 2015
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Counterparty and Cash Collateral Netting	
Assets of consolidated VIEs:					
Corporate obligations	-	39	11 ⁽¹⁾	-	50
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	-	172	-	-	172
Commercial mortgage-backed	-	672	-	-	672
Asset-backed securities:					
Collateralized debt obligations	-	13	1 ⁽¹⁾	-	14
Other asset-backed	-	18	6 ⁽¹⁾	-	24
Cash	58	-	-	-	58
Loans receivable at fair value:					
Residential loans receivable	-	-	1,185	-	1,185
Other loans receivable	-	-	107	-	107
Loan repurchase commitments	-	-	396	-	396
Derivative assets:					
Currency derivatives	-	-	11 ⁽¹⁾	-	11
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,913</u>	<u>\$ 5,757</u>	<u>\$ 1,834</u>	<u>\$ (1)</u>	<u>\$ 9,503</u>
Liabilities:					
Medium-term notes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 161 ⁽¹⁾	\$ -	\$ 161
Derivative liabilities:					
Insured derivatives:					
Credit derivatives	-	3	85	-	88
Non-insured derivatives:					
Interest rate derivatives	-	240	-	(32)	208
Other	-	-	18	-	18
Other liabilities:					
Warrants	-	18	-	-	18
Securities sold, not yet purchased	18	-	-	-	18
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:					
Variable interest entity notes	-	1,095	1,267	-	2,362
Derivative liabilities:					
Interest rate derivatives	-	45	-	-	45
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>\$ 1,401</u>	<u>\$ 1,531</u>	<u>\$ (32)</u>	<u>\$ 2,918</u>

(1) - Unobservable inputs are either not developed by the Company or do not significantly impact the overall fair values of the aggregate financial assets and liabilities.

Level 3 assets at fair value as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 represented approximately 20% and 19%, respectively, of total assets measured at fair value. Level 3 liabilities at fair value as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 represented approximately 52% of total liabilities measured at fair value.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

The following tables present the fair values and carrying values of the Company’s assets and liabilities that are disclosed at fair value but not reported at fair value on the Company’s consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

In millions	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using			Fair Value Balance as of March 31, 2016	Carry Value Balance as of March 31, 2016
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
Assets:					
Other investments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 4
Accrued investment income ⁽¹⁾	-	39	-	39	39
Receivable for investments sold ⁽¹⁾	-	16	-	16	16
Assets of consolidated VIEs:					
Investments held-to-maturity	-	-	525	525	890
Total assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 55</u>	<u>\$ 529</u>	<u>\$ 584</u>	<u>\$ 949</u>
Liabilities:					
Long-term debt	\$ -	\$ 912	\$ -	\$ 912	\$ 1,919
Medium-term notes	-	-	552	552	883
Investment agreements	-	-	609	609	452
Payable for investments purchased ⁽²⁾	-	22	-	22	22
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:					
Variable interest entity notes	-	-	760	760	890
Total liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 934</u>	<u>\$ 1,921</u>	<u>\$ 2,855</u>	<u>\$ 4,166</u>
Financial Guarantees:					
Gross	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,200	\$ 3,200	\$ 1,626
Ceded	-	-	99	99	55

(1) - Reported within “Other assets” on MBIA’s consolidated balance sheets.
 (2) - Reported within “Other liabilities” on MBIA’s consolidated balance sheets.

In millions	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using			Fair Value Balance as of December 31, 2015	Carry Value Balance as of December 31, 2015
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
Assets:					
Other investments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3	\$ 3	\$ 3
Accrued investment income ⁽¹⁾	-	38	-	38	38
Receivable for investments sold ⁽¹⁾	-	26	-	26	26
Assets of consolidated VIEs:					
Investments held-to-maturity	-	-	2,401	2,401	2,689
Total assets	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 64</u>	<u>\$ 2,404</u>	<u>\$ 2,468</u>	<u>\$ 2,756</u>
Liabilities:					
Long-term debt	\$ -	\$ 762	\$ -	\$ 762	\$ 1,889
Medium-term notes	-	-	534	534	855
Investment agreements	-	-	595	595	462
Payable for investments purchased ⁽²⁾	-	36	-	36	36
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:					
Variable interest entity notes	-	-	2,596	2,596	2,689
Total liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 798</u>	<u>\$ 3,725</u>	<u>\$ 4,523</u>	<u>\$ 5,931</u>
Financial Guarantees:					
Gross	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,093	\$ 3,093	\$ 1,530
Ceded	-	-	94	94	56

(1) - Reported within “Other assets” on MBIA’s consolidated balance sheets.
 (2) - Reported within “Other liabilities” on MBIA’s consolidated balance sheets.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

The following tables present information about changes in Level 3 assets (including short-term investments) and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

Changes in Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016

In millions	Balance, Beginning of Period	Realized Gains / (Losses)	Unrealized Gains / (Losses) Included in Earnings	Unrealized Gains / (Losses) Included in OCI	Foreign Exchange Recognized in OCI or Earnings	Purchases	Issuances	Settlements	Sales	Transfers into Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Transfers out of Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Ending Balance	Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses) for the Period Included in Earnings for Assets still held as of March 31, 2016
Assets:													
Foreign governments	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2	\$ -
Corporate obligations	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6)	1	-
Collateralized debt obligations	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3)	-	-	-	26	-
Other asset-backed	38	(1)	(1)	5	-	-	-	(2)	-	-	-	39	(1)
State and municipal bonds	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	(38)	-	-	-	3	-
Assets of consolidated VIEs:													
Corporate obligations	11	-	(5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5)	1	-
Commercial mortgage-backed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
Collateralized debt obligations	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Other asset-backed	6	-	(6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-
Loans receivable-residential	1,185	-	(14)	-	-	-	-	(56)	-	-	-	1,115	(14)
Loans receivable - other	107	-	-	-	-	146	-	-	-	-	-	253	-
Loan repurchase commitments	396	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	399	3
Currency derivatives, net	11	-	(6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	(6)
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,834</u>	<u>\$ (1)</u>	<u>\$ (29)</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 146</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (99)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ (11)</u>	<u>\$1,850</u>	<u>\$ (18)</u>
Liabilities:													
Medium-term notes	\$ 161	\$ -	\$ (3)	\$ -	\$ 7	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165	\$ 5
Credit derivatives, net	85	14	14	-	-	-	-	(14)	-	-	-	99	16
Other derivatives	18	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	1
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:													
VIE notes	1,267	-	(22)	-	-	9	-	(78)	-	-	-	1,176	(22)
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 1,531</u>	<u>\$ 14</u>	<u>\$ (10)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (92)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$1,459</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

(1) - Transferred in and out at the end of the period.

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Changes in Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015

																Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses) for the Period Included in Earnings for Assets still held as of March 31, 2015
In millions	Balance, Beginning of Period	Realized Gains / (Losses)	Unrealized Gains / (Losses) Included in Earnings	Unrealized Gains / (Losses) Included in OCI	Foreign Exchange Recognized in OCI or Earnings	Purchases	Issuances	Settlements	Sales	Transfers into Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Transfers out of Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Ending Balance				
Assets:																
Foreign governments	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ -			
Corporate obligations	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-			
Commercial mortgage-backed	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	1	-			
Collateralized debt obligations	87	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5)	(8)	-	-	74	-			
Other asset-backed	85	(2)	-	(1)	-	4	-	(2)	(8)	-	(2)	74	-			
State and municipal bonds	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	6	-			
Assets of consolidated VIEs:																
Corporate obligations	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	-	-	-	53	-			
Residential mortgage-backed non- agency	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	3	1			
Collateralized debt obligations	5	-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-			
Other asset-backed	26	-	3	-	-	-	-	(2)	-	-	(6)	21	3			
Loans receivable-residential	1,431	-	(3)	-	-	-	-	(56)	-	-	-	1,372	(3)			
Loans receivable-other	-	-	-	-	-	108	-	-	-	-	-	108	-			
Loan repurchase commitments	379	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	385	6			
Currency derivatives, net	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5			
Total assets	\$ 2,097	\$ (2)	\$ 10	\$ (1)	\$ 1	\$ 112	\$ -	\$ (68)	\$ (16)	\$ -	\$ (11)	\$ 2,122	\$ 12			

																Change in Unrealized (Gains) Losses for the Period Included in Earnings for Liabilities still held as of March 31, 2015
In millions	Balance, Beginning of Period	Realized (Gains) / Losses	Unrealized (Gains) / Losses Included in Earnings	Unrealized (Gains) / Losses Included in OCI	Foreign Exchange Recognized in OCI or Earnings	Purchases	Issuances	Settlements	Sales	Transfers into Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Transfers out of Level 3 ⁽¹⁾	Ending Balance				
Liabilities:																
Medium-term notes	\$ 197	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ -	\$ (22)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 180	\$ (17)			
Credit derivatives, net	244	9	(37)	-	-	-	-	(9)	-	-	-	207	(37)			
Other derivatives, net	24	-	(3)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	(3)			
Liabilities of consolidated VIEs:																
VIE notes	735	-	8	-	-	695	-	(51)	-	-	-	1,387	8			
Total liabilities	\$ 1,200	\$ 9	\$ (27)	\$ -	\$ (22)	\$ 695	\$ -	\$ (60)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,795	\$ (49)			

(1) - Transferred in and out at the end of the period.

Transfers into and out of Level 3 were \$5 million and \$11 million, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2016. Transfers into and out of Level 2 were \$11 million and \$5 million, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2016. Transfers into Level 3 were principally related to other asset backed and CMBS, where inputs, which are significant to their valuation, became unobservable during the quarter. Corporate obligations comprised the majority of the instruments transferred out of Level 3 where inputs, which are significant to their valuation, became observable during the quarter. These inputs included spreads, prepayment speeds, default speeds, default severities, yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, and market corroborated inputs. There were no transfers into or out of Level 1 for the three months ended March 31, 2016.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

Transfers out of level 3 and into level 2 were \$11 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. There were no transfers into Level 3 or out of Level 2 for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Other ABS and state municipal bonds comprised the majority of the instruments transferred out of Level 3 where inputs, which are significant to their valuation, became observable during the quarter. These inputs included spreads, prepayment speeds, default speeds, default severities, yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, and market corroborated inputs. There were no transfers into or out of Level 1 for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

All Level 1, 2 and 3 designations are made at the end of each accounting period.

Gains and losses (realized and unrealized) included in earnings related to Level 3 assets and liabilities for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are reported on the Company's consolidated statements of operations as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2016		Three Months Ended March 31, 2015	
	Total Gains (Losses) Included in Earnings	Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses) for the Period Included in Earnings for Assets and Liabilities still held as of March 31, 2016	Total Gains (Losses) Included in Earnings	Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses) for the Period Included in Earnings for Assets and Liabilities still held as of March 31, 2015
In millions				
Revenues:				
Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives	\$ (14)	\$ (16)	\$ 37	\$ 37
Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives	(14)	-	(9)	-
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(7)	(7)	18	20
Revenues of consolidated VIEs:				
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(6)	5	3	4
Total	<u>\$ (41)</u>	<u>\$ (18)</u>	<u>\$ 49</u>	<u>\$ 61</u>

Fair Value Option

The Company elected to record at fair value certain financial instruments that have been consolidated in connection with the adoption of the accounting guidance for consolidation of VIEs, among others.

The following table presents the changes in fair value included in the Company's consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 for financial instruments for which the fair value option was elected:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Investments carried at fair value	\$ 3 ⁽¹⁾	\$ -
Fixed-maturity securities held at fair value- VIE	(85) ⁽²⁾	(17) ⁽²⁾
Loans receivable - Residential mortgage loans	(70) ⁽²⁾	(58) ⁽²⁾
Loan repurchase commitments	2 ⁽²⁾	6 ⁽²⁾
Medium-term notes	(5) ⁽¹⁾	17 ⁽¹⁾
Variable interest entity notes	166 ⁽²⁾	89 ⁽²⁾

(1) - Reported within "Net gains (losses) of financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange" on MBIA's consolidated statements of operations.
 (2) - Reported within "Net gains (losses) of financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange-VIE" on MBIA's consolidated statements of operations.

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Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments (continued)

The following table reflects the difference between the aggregate fair value and the aggregate remaining contractual principal balance outstanding as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 for loans and notes for which the fair value option was elected:

In millions	As of March 31, 2016			As of December 31, 2015		
	Contractual Outstanding Principal	Fair Value	Difference	Contractual Outstanding Principal	Fair Value	Difference
Loans receivable at fair value:						
Residential mortgage loans	\$ 1,197	\$1,080	\$ 117	\$ 1,260	\$1,149	\$ 111
Residential mortgage loans (90 days or more past due)	176	35	141	177	36	141
Other loans	107	107	-	107	107	-
Other loans (90 days or more past due)	146	146	-	75	-	75
Total loans receivable at fair value	\$ 1,626	\$1,368	\$ 258	\$ 1,619	\$1,292	\$ 327
Variable interest entity notes	\$ 3,692	\$2,204	\$ 1,488	\$ 3,663	\$2,362	\$ 1,301
Medium-term notes	\$ 228	\$ 165	\$ 63	\$ 217	\$ 161	\$ 56

Substantially all gains and losses included in earnings during the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 on loans receivable and VIE notes reported in the preceding table are attributable to credit risk. This is primarily due to the high rate of defaults on loans and the collateral supporting the VIE notes, resulting in depressed pricing of the financial instruments.

Note 7: Investments

Investments, excluding those elected under the fair value option, include debt and equity securities classified as either AFS or HTM. Other AFS investments primarily comprise money market funds. The following tables present the amortized cost, fair value, corresponding gross unrealized gains and losses and other-than-temporary impairments ("OTTI") for AFS and HTM investments in the Company's consolidated investment portfolio as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

In millions	March 31, 2016				
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Other-Than-Temporary Impairments ⁽¹⁾
AFS Investments					
Fixed-maturity investments:					
U.S. Treasury and government agency	\$ 1,171	\$ 55	\$ -	\$1,226	\$ -
State and municipal bonds	1,559	90	(3)	1,646	-
Foreign governments	187	3	(1)	189	-
Corporate obligations	1,638	42	(96)	1,584	(88)
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Residential mortgage-backed agency	958	13	(3)	968	-
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	55	1	(7)	49	(4)
Commercial mortgage-backed	30	-	(1)	29	-
Asset-backed securities:					
Collateralized debt obligations	46	-	(17)	29	-
Other asset-backed	369	1	(13)	357	-
Total fixed-maturity investments	6,013	205	(141)	6,077	(92)
Money market securities	206	-	-	206	-
Perpetual debt and equity securities	5	2	-	7	-
Total AFS investments	<u>\$ 6,224</u>	<u>\$ 207</u>	<u>\$ (141)</u>	<u>\$6,290</u>	<u>\$ (92)</u>
HTM Investments					
Assets of consolidated VIEs:					
Corporate obligations	\$ 890	\$ -	\$ (365)	\$ 525	\$ -
Total HTM investments	<u>\$ 890</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (365)</u>	<u>\$ 525</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

(1) - Represents unrealized gains or losses on OTTI securities recognized in AOCI, which includes the non-credit component of impairments, as well as all subsequent changes in fair value of such impaired securities reported in AOCI.

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In millions	December 31, 2015				
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Other-Than-Temporary Impairments ⁽¹⁾
AFS Investments					
Fixed-maturity investments:					
U.S. Treasury and government agency	\$ 947	\$ 32	\$ (3)	\$ 976	\$ -
State and municipal bonds	1,674	65	(14)	1,725	-
Foreign governments	197	3	(2)	198	-
Corporate obligations	1,516	21	(103)	1,434	(85)
Mortgage-backed securities:					
Residential mortgage-backed agency	995	7	(9)	993	-
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	55	2	(6)	51	(4)
Commercial mortgage-backed	31	-	-	31	-
Asset-backed securities:					
Collateralized debt obligations	51	-	(18)	33	-
Other asset-backed	331	1	(17)	315	-
Total fixed-maturity investments	5,797	131	(172)	5,756	(89)
Money market securities	351	-	-	351	-
Perpetual debt and equity securities	12	1	-	13	-
Total AFS investments	<u>\$ 6,160</u>	<u>\$ 132</u>	<u>\$ (172)</u>	<u>\$6,120</u>	<u>\$ (89)</u>
HTM Investments					
Assets of consolidated VIEs:					
Corporate obligations	\$ 2,689	\$ 24	\$ (312)	\$2,401	\$ -
Total HTM investments	<u>\$ 2,689</u>	<u>\$ 24</u>	<u>\$ (312)</u>	<u>\$2,401</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

(1) - Represents unrealized gains or losses on OTTI securities recognized in AOCI, which includes the non-credit component of impairments, as well as all subsequent changes in fair value of such impaired securities reported in AOCI.

The following table presents the distribution by contractual maturity of AFS and HTM fixed-maturity securities at amortized cost and fair value as of March 31, 2016. Contractual maturity may differ from expected maturity as borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations.

In millions	AFS Securities		HTM Securities Consolidated VIEs	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ 609	\$ 609	\$ -	\$ -
Due after one year through five years	1,582	1,609	-	-
Due after five years through ten years	883	929	-	-
Due after ten years	1,481	1,498	890	525
Mortgage-backed and asset-backed	1,458	1,432	-	-
Total fixed-maturity investments	<u>\$ 6,013</u>	<u>\$6,077</u>	<u>\$ 890</u>	<u>\$ 525</u>

Deposited and Pledged Securities

The fair value of securities on deposit with various regulatory authorities as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 was \$10 million. These deposits are required to comply with state insurance laws.

Pursuant to the Company's tax sharing agreement, securities held by MBIA Inc. in the Tax Escrow Account are included as "Investments pledged as collateral, at fair value" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

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Investment agreement obligations require the Company to pledge securities as collateral. Securities pledged in connection with investment agreements may not be replighted by the investment agreement counterparty. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the fair value of securities pledged as collateral for these investment agreements approximated \$451 million and \$457 million, respectively. The Company’s collateral as of March 31, 2016 consisted principally of U.S. Treasury and government agency and state and municipal bonds, and was primarily held with major U.S. banks. Additionally, the Company pledged cash and money market securities as collateral under investment agreements in the amount of \$14 million and \$12 million as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

Impaired Investments

The following tables present the gross unrealized losses related to AFS and HTM investments as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

In millions	March 31, 2016					
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or Longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
AFS Investments						
Fixed-maturity investments:						
U.S. Treasury and government agency	\$ 53	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53	\$ -
State and municipal bonds	115	(1)	20	(2)	135	(3)
Foreign governments	10	-	2	(1)	12	(1)
Corporate obligations	303	(4)	83	(92)	386	(96)
Mortgage-backed securities:						
Residential mortgage-backed agency	58	-	259	(3)	317	(3)
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	18	(2)	21	(5)	39	(7)
Commercial mortgage-backed	22	(1)	1	-	23	(1)
Asset-backed securities:						
Collateralized debt obligations	2	-	25	(17)	27	(17)
Other asset-backed	169	(2)	44	(11)	213	(13)
Total fixed-maturity investments	750	(10)	455	(131)	1,205	(141)
Perpetual debt and equity securities	-	-	1	-	1	-
Total AFS investments	<u>\$ 750</u>	<u>\$ (10)</u>	<u>\$ 456</u>	<u>\$ (131)</u>	<u>\$1,206</u>	<u>\$ (141)</u>
HTM Investments						
Assets of consolidated VIEs:						
Corporate obligations	\$ 289	\$ (26)	\$ 236	\$ (339)	\$ 525	\$ (365)
Total HTM investments	<u>\$ 289</u>	<u>\$ (26)</u>	<u>\$ 236</u>	<u>\$ (339)</u>	<u>\$ 525</u>	<u>\$ (365)</u>

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In millions	December 31, 2015					
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or Longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
AFS Investments						
Fixed-maturity investments:						
U.S. Treasury and government agency	\$ 434	\$ (2)	\$ 50	\$ (1)	\$ 484	\$ (3)
State and municipal bonds	536	(11)	42	(3)	578	(14)
Foreign governments	32	(2)	-	-	32	(2)
Corporate obligations	693	(14)	78	(89)	771	(103)
Mortgage-backed securities:						
Residential mortgage-backed agency	399	(4)	159	(5)	558	(9)
Residential mortgage-backed non-agency	24	(2)	17	(4)	41	(6)
Commercial mortgage-backed	25	-	1	-	26	-
Asset-backed securities:						
Collateralized debt obligations	2	-	29	(18)	31	(18)
Other asset-backed	242	(1)	34	(16)	276	(17)
Total fixed-maturity investments	2,387	(36)	410	(136)	2,797	(172)
Perpetual debt and equity securities	2	-	3	-	5	-
Total AFS investments	<u>\$2,389</u>	<u>\$ (36)</u>	<u>\$ 413</u>	<u>\$ (136)</u>	<u>\$2,802</u>	<u>\$ (172)</u>
HTM Investments						
Assets of consolidated VIEs:						
Corporate obligations	\$1,093	\$ (17)	\$ 280	\$ (295)	\$1,373	\$ (312)
Total HTM investments	<u>\$1,093</u>	<u>\$ (17)</u>	<u>\$ 280</u>	<u>\$ (295)</u>	<u>\$1,373</u>	<u>\$ (312)</u>

Gross unrealized losses on AFS securities decreased as of March 31, 2016 compared with December 31, 2015 primarily due to market price appreciation driven by lower interest rates and narrowing credit spreads. Gross unrealized losses on HTM securities increased as of March 31, 2016 compared with December 31, 2015 primarily due to widening credit spreads partially offset by lower interest rates.

With the weighting applied on the fair value of each security relative to the total fair value, the weighted average contractual maturity of securities in an unrealized loss position as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 was 20 and 17 years, respectively. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, there were 78 and 65 securities, respectively, that were in an unrealized loss position for a continuous twelve-month period or longer, of which, fair values of 29 and 22 securities, respectively, were below book value by more than 5%.

The following table presents the distribution of securities in an unrealized loss position for a continuous twelve-month period or longer where fair value was below book value by more than 5% as of March 31, 2016:

Percentage of Fair Value Below Book Value	AFS Securities			HTM Securities		
	Number of Securities	Book Value (in millions)	Fair Value (in millions)	Number of Securities	Book Value (in millions)	Fair Value (in millions)
> 5% to 15%	13	\$ 25	\$ 23	-	\$ -	\$ -
> 15% to 25%	3	3	2	-	-	-
> 25% to 50%	9	63	45	-	-	-
> 50%	3	123	18	1	575	236
Total	<u>28</u>	<u>\$ 214</u>	<u>\$ 88</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>\$ 575</u>	<u>\$ 236</u>

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The following table presents the fair value and gross unrealized loss by credit rating category of ABS, MBS and corporate obligations included in the Company's consolidated AFS investment portfolio, as of March 31, 2016, for which fair value was less than amortized cost. The credit ratings are based on ratings from Moody's as of March 31, 2016 or an alternate ratings source, such as S&P, when a security is not rated by Moody's. For investments that are insured by various third-party guarantee insurers, the credit rating reflects the higher of the insurer's rating or the underlying bond's rating.

In millions	Below Investment Grade													
	Aaa		Aa		A		Baa		Not Rated		Total			
Asset Type	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss		
ABS	\$ 125	\$ (1)	\$ 74	\$ (1)	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ 33	\$ (28)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 240	\$ (30)
MBS	331	(4)	3	-	2	-	5	-	25	(3)	13	(4)	379	(11)
Corporate obligations	147	(1)	109	-	58	(1)	44	(3)	13	(3)	15	(88)	386	(96)
Total	\$ 603	\$ (6)	\$ 186	\$ (1)	\$ 62	\$ (1)	\$ 55	\$ (3)	\$ 71	\$ (34)	\$ 28	\$ (92)	\$ 1,005	\$ (137)

The total ABS, MBS and corporate obligations reported in the preceding table include those which are guaranteed by financial guarantors. In addition, the following table presents information on ABS and MBS guaranteed by the Company and third-party financial guarantors.

Asset Type	Average Credit Rating with the Effect of Guarantee	Average Credit Rating without the Effect of Guarantee	Insured Securities Rated Below Investment Grade without the Effect of Guarantee	
			(in millions) Fair Value	Percentage
ABS	Below Investment Grade	Below Investment Grade	\$ 31	58%
MBS	Below Investment Grade	Below Investment Grade	\$ 18	100%

Refer to the table within the OTTI section of this note for information on the insured securities included in the table above.

The Company concluded that it does not have the intent to sell securities in an unrealized loss position and it is more likely than not, that it would not have to sell these securities before recovery of their cost basis. In making this conclusion, the Company examined the cash flow projections for its investment portfolios, the potential sources and uses of cash in its businesses, and the cash resources available to its business other than sales of securities. It also considered the existence of any risk management or other plans as of March 31, 2016 that would require the sale of impaired securities. Impaired securities that the Company intends to sell before the expected recovery of such securities' fair values have been written down to fair value.

Other-Than-Temporary Impairments

The Company's fixed-maturity securities for which fair value is less than amortized cost are reviewed quarterly in order to determine whether a credit loss exists. The portion of certain OTTI losses on fixed-maturity securities that does not represent credit losses is recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI"). For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, there were no changes in the cumulative credit losses on fixed-maturity securities held by the Company, for which a portion of the OTTI was recognized in AOCI. Refer to "Note 8: Investments" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 for a discussion of the Company's policy for OTTI and its determination of credit loss.

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The Company does not recognize OTTI on securities insured by MBIA Corp. and National since those securities, whether or not owned by the Company, are evaluated for impairment in accordance with its loss reserving policy. The following table provides information about securities held by the Company as of March 31, 2016 that were in an unrealized loss position and insured by a financial guarantor, along with the amount of insurance loss reserves corresponding to the par amount owned by the Company:

In millions	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Insurance Loss Reserve ⁽²⁾
Asset-backed:			
MBIA ⁽¹⁾	\$ 54	\$ (28)	\$ 13
Mortgage-backed:			
MBIA ⁽¹⁾	18	(2)	15
Other:			
MBIA ⁽¹⁾	67	(2)	-
Other	2	-	-
Total other	69	(2)	-
Total	\$ 141	\$ (32)	\$ 28

(1) - Includes investments insured by MBIA Corp. and National.
(2) - Insurance loss reserve estimates are based on the proportion of par value owned to the total amount of par value insured.

Sales of Available-for-Sale Investments

Gross realized gains and losses are recorded within “Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange” on the Company's consolidated statements of operations. The proceeds and the gross realized gains and losses from sales of fixed-maturity securities held as AFS for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Proceeds from sales	\$ 281	\$ 192
Gross realized gains	10	5
Gross realized losses	(4)	(7)

Note 8: Derivative Instruments

Overview

MBIA has entered into derivative instruments through its financial guarantee of CDS and certain other derivative contracts for purposes of managing risks associated with existing assets and liabilities. In certain instances, the Company purchased or issued securities that contain embedded derivatives that were separated from the host contract and accounted for as derivative instruments. In accordance with the accounting guidance for derivative instruments and hedging activities, the balance sheet location of the Company's embedded derivative instruments is determined by the location of the related security. Derivative instruments are recorded at fair value on the Company's consolidated balance sheets with the changes in fair value recorded on the Company's consolidated statements of operations within “Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives,” for the insured derivatives, or “Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange” for the embedded derivatives. Refer to “Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments” for the method of determining the fair value of derivative instruments.

U.S. Public Finance Insurance

The Company's derivative exposure within its U.S. public finance insurance operations primarily consists of insured interest rate and inflation-linked swaps related to insured U.S. public finance debt issues. These derivatives do not qualify for the financial guarantee scope exception and are accounted for as derivative instruments.

Corporate

The Company has entered into derivative instruments primarily consisting of interest rate swaps. Interest rate swaps are entered into to manage the risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates or fair values of certain contracts.

Changes in the fair value of these derivatives are recorded on the Company's consolidated statements of operations within “Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange.”

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International and Structured Finance Insurance

The Company entered into derivative instruments that it viewed as an extension of its core financial guarantee business that do not qualify for the financial guarantee scope exception and, therefore, are accounted for as derivative instruments. These insured CDS contracts, primarily referencing corporate obligations, ABS, RMBS, commercial mortgage-backed securities (“CMBS”), commercial real estate (“CRE”) loans and CDOs, are intended to be held for the entire term of the contract absent a negotiated settlement with the counterparty. The Company’s derivative exposure within its international and structured finance insurance segment also includes insured interest rate and inflation-linked swaps related to insured debt issues.

Changes in the fair value of derivatives, excluding insured derivatives, are recorded each period in current earnings within “Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange.” Changes in the fair value of insured derivatives are recorded each period in current earnings within “Net change in fair value of insured derivatives.” The net change in the fair value of the Company’s insured derivatives has two primary components: (i) realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives and (ii) unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives. “Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives” include (i) premiums received and receivable on sold CDS contracts, (ii) premiums paid and payable to reinsurers in respect to CDS contracts, (iii) net amounts received or paid on reinsurance commutations, (iv) losses paid and payable to CDS contract counterparties due to the occurrence of a credit event or settlement agreement, (v) losses recovered and recoverable on purchased CDS contracts due to the occurrence of a credit event or settlement agreement and (vi) fees relating to CDS contracts. “Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives” includes all other changes in fair value of the insured derivative contracts.

The Company has also entered into a derivative contract as a result of a commutation occurring in 2014. Changes in the fair value of the Company’s non-insured derivative are included in “Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange” on the Company’s consolidated statements of operations.

Variable Interest Entities

VEs consolidated by the Company have entered into derivative instruments consisting of interest rate swaps, interest rate caps and cross currency swaps. Interest rate swaps and interest rate caps are entered into to mitigate the risks associated with fluctuations in interest rates or fair values of certain contracts. Cross currency swaps are entered into to manage the variability in cash flows resulting from fluctuations in foreign currency rates.

Credit Derivatives Sold

The following tables present information about credit derivatives sold by the Company’s insurance operations that were outstanding as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. Credit ratings represent the lower of underlying ratings assigned to the collateral by Moody’s, S&P or MBIA.

\$ in millions	As of March 31, 2016							
	Notional Value							
	Weighted Average Remaining Expected Maturity	AAA	AA	A	BBB	Below Investment Grade	Total Notional	Fair Value Asset (Liability)
Credit Derivatives Sold								
Insured credit default swaps	2.1 Years	\$1,774	\$ -	\$ 50	\$ -	\$ 1,027	\$2,851	\$ (99)
Insured swaps	16.6 Years	-	152	2,301	1,084	21	3,558	(3)
Total notional		\$1,774	\$ 152	\$2,351	\$1,084	\$ 1,048	\$6,409	
Total fair value		\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1)	\$ (2)	\$ (99)		\$ (102)

\$ in millions	As of December 31, 2015							
	Notional Value							
	Weighted Average Remaining Expected Maturity	AAA	AA	A	BBB	Below Investment Grade	Total Notional	Fair Value Asset (Liability)
Credit Derivatives Sold								
Insured credit default swaps	2.1 Years	\$1,947	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 961	\$3,208	\$ (85)
Insured swaps	16.5 Years	-	109	2,715	940	22	3,786	(3)
Total notional		\$1,947	\$ 109	\$3,015	\$ 940	\$ 983	\$6,994	
Total fair value		\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4)	\$ (2)	\$ (82)		\$ (88)

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Internal credit ratings assigned by MBIA on the underlying collateral are derived by the Company's surveillance group. In assigning an internal rating, current status reports from issuers and trustees, as well as publicly available transaction-specific information, are reviewed. Also, where appropriate, cash flow analyses and collateral valuations are considered. The maximum potential amount of future payments (undiscounted) on CDS contracts are estimated as the notional value plus any additional debt service costs, such as interest or other amounts owing on CDS contracts. The maximum amount of future debt service payments that MBIA may be required to make under these guarantees as of March 31, 2016 is \$3.0 billion. The maximum potential amount of future payments (undiscounted) on insured swaps are estimated as the notional value of such contracts.

MBIA may hold recourse provisions with third parties in derivative instruments through both reinsurance and subrogation rights. MBIA's reinsurance arrangements provide that in the event MBIA pays a claim under a guarantee of a derivative contract, MBIA has the right to collect amounts from any reinsurers that have reinsured the guarantee on either a proportional or non-proportional basis, depending upon the underlying reinsurance agreement. MBIA may also have recourse through subrogation rights whereby if MBIA makes a claim payment, it may be entitled to any rights of the insured counterparty, including the right to any assets held as collateral.

Counterparty Credit Risk

The Company manages counterparty credit risk on an individual counterparty basis through master netting agreements covering derivative instruments in the corporate segment. These agreements allow the Company to contractually net amounts due from a counterparty with those amounts due to such counterparty when certain triggering events occur. The Company only executes swaps under master netting agreements, which typically contain mutual credit downgrade provisions that generally provide the ability to require assignment or termination in the event either MBIA or the counterparty is downgraded below a specified credit rating.

Under these agreements, the Company may receive or provide cash, U.S. Treasury or other highly rated securities to secure counterparties' exposure to the Company or its exposure to counterparties, respectively. Such collateral is available to the holder to pay for replacing the counterparty in the event that the counterparty defaults. As of March 31, 2016, the Company did not hold cash collateral to derivative counterparties but posted cash collateral to derivative counterparties of \$63 million. Of this amount, \$44 million is netted within "Derivative liabilities" and \$19 million is included within "Other liabilities" as cash collateral netted against accrued interest on derivative liabilities. As of December 31, 2015, the Company did not hold cash collateral to derivative counterparties but posted cash collateral to derivative counterparties of \$50 million. Of this amount, \$31 million is netted within "Derivative liabilities" and \$19 million is included within "Other liabilities" as cash collateral netted against accrued interest on derivative liabilities. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had securities with a fair value of \$288 million posted to derivative counterparties and this amount is included within "Fixed-maturity securities held as available-for-sale, at fair value" on the Company's consolidated balance sheet. As of December 31, 2015, the Company had securities with a fair value of \$259 million posted to derivative counterparties and this amount is included within "Fixed-maturity securities held as available-for-sale, at fair value" on the Company's consolidated balance sheet.

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the fair value on one Credit Support Annex ("CSA") was \$3 million. This CSA governs collateral posting requirements between MBIA and its derivative counterparties. The Company did not receive collateral due to the Company's credit rating, which was below the CSA minimum credit ratings level for holding counterparty collateral. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the counterparty was rated A2 by Moody's and A by S&P.

Financial Statement Presentation

The fair value of amounts recognized for eligible derivative contracts executed with the same counterparty under a master netting agreement, including any cash collateral that may have been received or posted by the Company, is presented on a net basis in accordance with accounting guidance for the offsetting of fair value amounts related to derivative instruments. Insured CDS and insured swaps are not subject to master netting agreements. VIE derivative assets and liabilities are not presented net of any master netting agreements. Counterparty netting of derivative assets and liabilities offsets balances in "Interest rate swaps" as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

As of March 31, 2016, the total fair value of the Company's derivative assets, after counterparty netting of \$1 million, was \$14 million, of which \$9 million was reported within "Other assets" and "Other assets" presented under "Assets of consolidated variable interest entities" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Embedded derivatives of \$5 million was reported within "Medium-term notes" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

As of March 31, 2016, the total fair value of the Company's derivative liabilities, after counterparty netting of \$1 million and cash collateral posted by the company of \$44 million, was \$411 million, of which \$394 million was reported within "Derivative liabilities" and "Derivative liabilities" presented under "Liabilities of consolidated variable interest entities" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Embedded derivatives of \$17 million was reported within "Medium-term notes" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

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Note 8: Derivative Instruments (continued)

The following table presents the total fair value of the Company's derivative assets and liabilities by instrument and balance sheet location, before counterparty netting and posting of cash collateral, as of March 31, 2016:

In millions		Derivative Assets ⁽¹⁾		Derivative Liabilities ⁽¹⁾	
	Notional Amount Outstanding	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value
Derivative Instruments					
Not designated as hedging instruments:					
Insured credit default swaps	\$ 2,851	Other assets	\$ -	Derivative liabilities	\$ (99)
Insured swaps	3,558	Other assets	-	Derivative liabilities	(3)
Interest rate swaps	1,155	Other assets	4	Derivative liabilities	(282)
Interest rate swaps-VIE	865	Other assets-VIE	-	Derivative liabilities-VIE	(36)
Interest rate swaps-embedded	415	Medium-term notes	5	Medium-term notes	(17)
Currency swaps-VIE	77	Other assets-VIE	6	Derivative liabilities-VIE	-
All other	83	Other assets	-	Derivative liabilities	(19)
All other-VIE	241	Other assets-VIE	-	Derivative liabilities-VIE	-
All other-embedded	6	Other investments	-	Other investments	-
Total non-designated derivatives	<u>\$ 9,251</u>		<u>\$ 15</u>		<u>\$ (456)</u>

(1) - In accordance with the accounting guidance for derivative instruments and hedging activities, the balance sheet location of the Company's embedded derivative instruments is determined by the location of the related host contract.

As of December 31, 2015, the total fair value of the Company's derivative assets, after counterparty netting of \$1 million, was \$19 million, of which \$14 million was reported within "Other assets" and "Other Assets" presented under "Assets of consolidated variable interest entities" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Embedded derivatives of \$5 million were reported within "Medium-term notes" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

As of December 31, 2015, the total fair value of the Company's derivative liabilities, after counterparty netting of \$1 million and cash collateral posted by the Company of \$31 million, was \$374 million, of which \$359 million was reported within "Derivative liabilities" and "Derivative liabilities" presented under "Liabilities of consolidated variable interest entities" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Embedded derivatives of \$15 million was reported within "Medium-term notes" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

The following table presents the total fair value of the Company's derivative assets and liabilities by instrument and balance sheet location, before counterparty netting and posting of cash collateral, as of December 31, 2015:

In millions		Derivative Assets ⁽¹⁾		Derivative Liabilities ⁽¹⁾	
	Notional Amount Outstanding	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value
Derivative Instruments					
Not designated as hedging instruments:					
Insured credit default swaps	\$ 3,208	Other assets	\$ -	Derivative liabilities	\$ (85)
Insured swaps	3,786	Other assets	-	Derivative liabilities	(3)
Interest rate swaps	1,153	Other assets	4	Derivative liabilities	(240)
Interest rate swaps-VIE	899	Other assets-VIE	-	Derivative liabilities-VIE	(45)
Interest rate swaps-embedded	396	Medium-term notes	5	Medium-term notes	(15)
Currency swaps-VIE	83	Other assets-VIE	11	Derivative liabilities-VIE	-
All other	83	Other assets	-	Derivative liabilities	(18)
All other-VIE	241	Other assets-VIE	-	Derivative liabilities-VIE	-
All other-embedded	10	Other investments	-	Other investments	-
Total non-designated derivatives	<u>\$ 9,859</u>		<u>\$ 20</u>		<u>\$ (406)</u>

(1) - In accordance with the accounting guidance for derivative instruments and hedging activities, the balance sheet location of the Company's embedded derivative instruments is determined by the location of the related host contract.

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Note 8: Derivative Instruments (continued)

The following table presents the effect of derivative instruments on the consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2016:

In millions		
Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments	Location of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative	Net Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income
Insured credit default swaps	Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives	\$ (14)
Insured credit default swaps	Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives	(14)
Interest rate swaps	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(50)
Interest rate swaps-VIE	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange-VIE	8
Currency swaps-VIE	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange-VIE	(5)
All other	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(2)
Total		<u>\$ (77)</u>

The following table presents the effect of derivative instruments on the consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2015:

In millions		
Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments	Location of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivative	Net Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income
Insured credit default swaps	Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives	\$ 37
Insured credit default swaps	Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives	(9)
Interest rate swaps	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(107)
Currency swaps-VIE	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange-VIE	4
All other	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	3
Total		<u>\$ (72)</u>

Note 9: Income Taxes

The Company's income taxes and the related effective tax rates for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ (101)	\$ 113
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$ (23)	\$ 44
Effective tax rate	22.8%	38.9%

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company's effective tax rate applied to its loss before income taxes is less than the U.S. statutory tax rate primarily due to a foreign tax credit adjustment and the fluctuation of the value of nondeductible warrants issued by the Company. For the three months ended March 31, 2015, the Company's effective tax rate applied to its income before income taxes was higher than the U.S. statutory tax rate primarily due to the fluctuation of the value of nondeductible warrants issued by the Company.

The Company's 2015 provision for income taxes for interim financial periods was not based on an estimated annual effective rate due to the variability in fair value of its derivative liabilities, which prevents the Company from projecting a reliable estimated annual effective tax rate.

Deferred Tax Asset, Net of Valuation Allowance

The Company came to the conclusion that it is more likely than not that its net deferred tax asset will be fully realized after weighing all positive and negative evidence available as required under GAAP. The positive evidence that was considered included the cumulative operating income the Company has earned over the last three years, and the significant unearned premium income to be included in taxable income. The positive evidence outweighs any negative evidence that exists. As such, the Company believes that no valuation allowance is necessary in connection with this deferred tax asset. The Company will continue to analyze the need for a valuation allowance on a quarterly basis.

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Note 9: Income Taxes (continued)

In accordance with accounting guidance for income taxes, the netting of deferred taxes between different taxpaying jurisdictions is not permitted. As of March 31, 2016, there was also a non-U.S. deferred tax liability of \$13 million included in “Other liabilities” on the Company’s consolidated balance sheet.

Tax Sharing Agreement

The Company has a tax sharing agreement among its members effective January 1, 1987. The agreement was amended and restated effective September 8, 2011 to change the method of calculating each domestic insurer’s tax liability to the method permitted by paragraph 3(a) of Department Circular Letter #33 (1979). The agreement was submitted to the NYSDFS for review and non-disapproval pursuant to Section 1505 of the New York Insurance Law (“NYIL”). Refer to “Note 2: Significant Accounting Policies” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, for further discussion on the Company’s tax sharing agreement.

Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes

The Company’s policy is to record and disclose any change in unrecognized tax benefits (“UTB”) and related interest and/or penalties to income tax in the consolidated statements of operations. The Company includes interest as a component of income tax expense. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the Company had no UTB.

MBIA and its U.S. subsidiaries file a U.S. consolidated federal income tax return. Federal income tax returns through 2011 have been examined or surveyed.

As of March 31, 2016, the Company’s net operating loss (“NOL”) is approximately \$2.7 billion. The NOL will expire between tax years 2029 through 2034. As of March 31, 2016, the Company has an alternative minimum tax credit carryforward of \$22 million, which does not expire.

Note 10: Business Segments

As defined by segment reporting, an operating segment is a component of a company (i) that engages in business activities from which it earns revenue and incurs expenses, (ii) whose operating results are regularly reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision Maker to assess the performance of the segment and to make decisions about the allocation of resources to the segment and, (iii) for which discrete financial information is available.

The Company manages its businesses across three operating segments: 1) U.S. public finance insurance; 2) corporate; and 3) international and structured finance insurance. The Company’s U.S. public finance insurance business is operated through National and its international and structured finance insurance business is operated through MBIA Corp. Effective January 1, 2015, the Company exited its advisory services business with the completed sale of Cutwater.

The following sections provide a description of each of the Company’s reportable operating segments.

U.S. Public Finance Insurance

The Company’s U.S. public finance insurance segment is principally conducted through National. The financial guarantees issued by National provide unconditional and irrevocable guarantees of the payment of the principal of, and interest or other amounts owing on, U.S. public finance insured obligations when due. The obligations are not subject to acceleration, except that National may have the right, at its discretion, to accelerate insured obligations upon default or otherwise. National issues financial guarantees for municipal bonds, including tax-exempt and taxable indebtedness of U.S. political subdivisions, as well as utilities, airports, health care institutions, higher educational facilities, student loan issuers, housing authorities and other similar agencies and obligations issued by private entities that finance projects that serve a substantial public purpose. Municipal bonds and privately issued bonds used for the financing of public purpose projects are generally supported by taxes, assessments, fees or tariffs related to the use of these projects, lease payments or other similar types of revenue streams.

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Note 10: Business Segments (continued)

Corporate

The Company's corporate segment consists of general corporate activities, including providing general support services to MBIA's other operating businesses and asset and capital management. General support services are provided by the Company's service company, MBIA Services Corporation ("MBIA Services"). MBIA Services provides various support services including, among others, management, legal, accounting, treasury, information technology, and insurance portfolio surveillance, on a fee-for-service basis. Capital management includes activities related to servicing obligations issued by MBIA Inc. and its subsidiaries, MBIA Global Funding, LLC ("GFL") and MBIA Investment Management Corp. ("IMC"). MBIA Inc. issued debt to finance the operations of the MBIA group. GFL raised funds through the issuance of MTNs with varying maturities, which were in turn guaranteed by MBIA Corp. GFL lent the proceeds of these MTN issuances to MBIA Inc. IMC, along with MBIA Inc., provided customized investment agreements, guaranteed by MBIA Corp., for bond proceeds and other public funds for such purposes as construction, loan origination, escrow and debt service or other reserve fund requirements. The company has ceased issuing these MTNs and investment agreements and the outstanding liability balances and corresponding asset balances have declined over time as liabilities mature, terminate or are retired. All of the debt within the corporate segment is managed collectively and is serviced by available liquidity.

International and Structured Finance Insurance

The Company's international and structured finance insurance segment is principally conducted through MBIA Corp. The financial guarantees issued by MBIA Corp. generally provide unconditional and irrevocable guarantees of the payment of principal of, and interest or other amounts owing on, non-U.S. public finance and global structured finance insured obligations when due, or in the event MBIA Corp. has the right, at its discretion, to accelerate insured obligations upon default or otherwise. MBIA Corp. insures the investment contracts written by MBIA Inc., and if MBIA Inc. were to have insufficient assets to pay amounts due upon maturity or termination, MBIA Corp. would make such payments. MBIA Corp. insures debt obligations of the following affiliates:

- MBIA Inc.;
- GFL;
- IMC; and
- LaCrosse Financial Products, LLC, a wholly-owned affiliate, in which MBIA Insurance Corporation has written insurance policies guaranteeing the obligations under CDS, including termination payments that may become due upon certain events including the insolvency or payment default of the financial guarantor or the CDS issuer.

MBIA Corp. insures non-U.S. public finance and global structured finance insured obligations, including asset-backed obligations. MBIA Corp. has insured sovereign-related and sub-sovereign bonds, utilities, privately issued bonds used for the financing of projects that include toll roads, bridges, airports, public transportation facilities, and other types of infrastructure projects serving a substantial public purpose. Global structured finance and asset-backed obligations typically are securities repayable from expected cash flows generated by a specified pool of assets, such as residential and commercial mortgages, insurance policies, consumer loans, corporate loans and bonds, trade and export receivables, and leases for equipment, aircraft and real estate property. MBIA Corp. has also written policies guaranteeing obligations under certain other derivative contracts, including termination payments that may become due upon certain insolvency or payment defaults of the financial guarantor or the issuer. The Company is no longer insuring new credit derivative contracts except for transactions related to the restructuring or reduction of existing derivative exposure. MBIA Corp. has not written any meaningful amount of business since 2008.

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Note 10: Business Segments (continued)

Segments Results

The following tables provide the Company's segment results for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31, 2016				
	U.S. Public Finance Insurance	Corporate	International and Structured Finance Insurance	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenues ⁽¹⁾	\$ 84	\$ 5	\$ 26	\$ -	\$ 115
Net change in fair value of insured derivatives	-	-	(28)	-	(28)
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	9	(84)	6	-	(69)
Net investment losses related to other-than-temporary impairments	-	(1)	-	-	(1)
Net gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	-	2	-	-	2
Other net realized gains (losses)	-	(1)	-	-	(1)
Revenues of consolidated VIEs	-	-	14	-	14
Inter-segment revenues ⁽²⁾	6	16	12	(34)	-
Total revenues	99	(63)	30	(34)	32
Losses and loss adjustment	9	-	13	-	22
Operating	9	22	14	-	45
Interest	-	23	27	-	50
Expenses of consolidated VIEs	-	-	16	-	16
Inter-segment expenses ⁽²⁾	18	-	14	(32)	-
Total expenses	36	45	84	(32)	133
Income (loss) before income taxes	63	(108)	(54)	(2)	(101)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	22	(24)	(23)	2	(23)
Net income (loss)	\$ 41	\$ (84)	\$ (31)	\$ (4)	\$ (78)
Identifiable assets	\$ 5,268	\$ 2,478	\$ 7,845	\$ (2,840) ⁽³⁾	\$ 12,751

(1) - Represents the sum of third-party financial guarantee net premiums earned, net investment income, insurance-related fees and reimbursements and other fees.

(2) - Represents intercompany premium income and expense and intercompany interest income and expense pertaining to intercompany receivables and payables.

(3) - Consists of intercompany deferred income taxes, reinsurance balances and repurchase agreements.

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31, 2015				
	U.S. Public Finance Insurance	Corporate	International and Structured Finance Insurance	Eliminations	Consolidated
Revenues ⁽¹⁾	\$ 105	\$ 5	\$ 29	\$ -	\$ 139
Net change in fair value of insured derivatives	-	-	28	-	28
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	3	32	(5)	-	30
Other net realized gains (losses)	(4)	24	-	-	20
Revenues of consolidated VIEs	-	-	2	-	2
Inter-segment revenues ⁽²⁾	10	16	18	(44)	-
Total revenues	114	77	72	(44)	219
Losses and loss adjustment	(6)	-	-	-	(6)
Operating	10	19	19	-	48
Interest	-	25	25	-	50
Expenses of consolidated VIEs	-	-	14	-	14
Inter-segment expenses ⁽²⁾	24	1	18	(43)	-
Total expenses	28	45	76	(43)	106
Income (loss) before income taxes	86	32	(4)	(1)	113
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	29	17	(2)	-	44
Net income (loss)	\$ 57	\$ 15	\$ (2)	\$ (1)	\$ 69
Identifiable assets	\$ 5,859	\$ 2,730	\$ 10,565	\$ (3,259) ⁽³⁾	\$ 15,895

(1) - Represents the sum of third-party financial guarantee net premiums earned, net investment income, insurance-related fees and reimbursements and other fees.

(2) - Represents intercompany premium income and expense and intercompany interest income and expense pertaining to intercompany receivables and payables.

(3) - Consists of intercompany reinsurance balances, repurchase agreements and deferred income taxes.

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Note 10: Business Segments (continued)

Premiums on financial guarantees and insured derivatives reported within the Company's insurance segments are generated within and outside the U.S. The following table summarizes premiums earned on financial guarantees and insured derivatives by geographic location of risk for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Total premiums earned:		
United States	\$ 59	\$ 87
United Kingdom	7	7
Europe (excluding United Kingdom)	1	2
Internationally diversified	-	1
Other Americas	7	6
Asia	1	1
Other	1	1
Total	<u>\$ 76</u>	<u>\$ 105</u>

Note 11: Earnings Per Share

Earnings per share is calculated using the two-class method in which earnings are allocated to common stock and participating securities based on their rights to receive nonforfeitable dividends or dividend equivalents. The Company grants restricted stock and restricted stock units to certain employees and non-employee directors in accordance with the Company's long-term incentive programs, which entitle the participants to receive nonforfeitable dividends or dividend equivalents during the vesting period on the same basis as those dividends are paid to common shareholders. These unvested stock awards represent participating securities. During periods of net income, the calculation of earnings per share exclude the income attributable to participating securities in the numerator and the dilutive impact of these securities from the denominator. During periods of net loss, no effect is given to participating securities in the numerator and the denominator excludes the dilutive impact of these securities since they do not share in the losses of the Company.

Basic earnings per share excludes dilution and is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the dilutive effect of all stock options, warrants and unvested restricted stock outstanding during the period that could potentially result in the issuance of common stock. The dilution from stock options, warrants and unvested restricted stock are calculated by applying the two-class method and using the treasury stock method. The treasury stock method assumes the proceeds from the exercise of stock options and warrants or the unrecognized compensation expense from unvested restricted stock will be used to purchase shares of the Company's common stock at the average market price during the period. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, there were 16,685,220 and 17,957,392, respectively, of stock options, warrants and unvested restricted stock outstanding that were antidilutive.

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Note 11: Earnings Per Share (continued)

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

\$ in millions except share and per share amounts	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Basic earnings per share:		
Net income (loss)	\$ (78)	\$ 69
Less: undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities	-	2
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	(78)	67
Basic weighted average shares ⁽¹⁾	135,814,835	181,735,876
Net income (loss) per basic common share	<u>\$ (0.58)</u>	<u>\$ 0.37</u>
Diluted earnings per share:		
Net income (loss)	(78)	69
Less: undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities	-	2
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	(78)	67
Basic weighted average shares ⁽¹⁾	135,814,835	181,735,876
Effect of common stock equivalents:		
Stock options	-	1,000,539
Diluted weighted average shares	<u>135,814,835</u>	<u>182,736,415</u>
Net income (loss) per diluted common share	<u>\$ (0.58)</u>	<u>\$ 0.37</u>

(1) - Includes 712,927 and 678,568 of participating securities that met the service condition and were eligible to receive nonforfeitable dividends or dividend equivalents for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Note 12: Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

The following table presents the changes in the components of AOCI for the three months ended March 31, 2016:

In millions	Unrealized Gains (Losses) on AFS Securities, Net	Foreign Currency Translation, Net	Total
Balance, December 31, 2015	\$ (22)	\$ (39)	\$ (61)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	78	(9)	69
Amounts reclassified from AOCI	(3)	-	(3)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	75	(9)	66
Balance, March 31, 2016	<u>\$ 53</u>	<u>\$ (48)</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>

The following table presents the details of the reclassifications from AOCI for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Amounts Reclassified from AOCI		Affected Line Item on the Consolidated Statements of Operations
	Three Months Ended March 31,		
Details about AOCI Components	2016	2015	
Unrealized gains (losses) on AFS securities:			
Realized gain (loss) on sale of securities	\$ 8	\$ (4)	Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange
Amortization on securities	(3)	(3)	Net investment income
	5	(7)	Income (loss) before income taxes
	2	(3)	Provision (benefit) for income taxes
Total reclassifications for the period	\$ 3	\$ (4)	Net income (loss)

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Note 13: Commitments and Contingencies

The following commitments and contingencies provide an update of those discussed in “Note 21: Commitments and Contingencies” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, and should be read in conjunction with the complete descriptions provided in the aforementioned Form 10-K.

Litigation

MBIA Insurance Corp. v. Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, et al.; Index No. 603751/2009 (N.Y. Sup. Ct., N.Y. County)

Expert discovery concluded in March of 2016. The Court so-ordered a schedule for summary judgment briefing and argument in April of 2016. Initial briefs are to be filed on June 2, 2016; opposition briefs on August 4, 2016; and reply briefs on September 22, 2016. Argument is scheduled for November 15, 2016.

MBIA Insurance Corp. v. J.P. Morgan Securities LLC (f/k/a Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.); Index No. 64676/2012 (N.Y. Sup. Ct., County of Westchester)

On September 9, 2014, the court granted in part MBIA Corp.’s motion to file an amended complaint. MBIA filed its amended complaint on September 29, 2014. J.P. Morgan filed its answer to the amended complaint on October 10, 2014. The parties each cross-appealed the September 9, 2014 decision and those appeals were fully submitted as of June 8, 2015. J.P. Morgan’s motion for summary judgment was argued in December of 2015 and is awaiting a ruling from the court.

Lynn Tilton and Patriarch Partners XV, LLC v. MBIA Inc. and MBIA Insurance Corp.; Index No. 68880/2015 (N.Y. Sup. Ct., County of Westchester)

On November 2, 2015, Lynn Tilton and Patriarch Partners XV, LLC filed a complaint in New York State Supreme Court, Westchester County, against MBIA Inc. and MBIA Corp., alleging fraudulent inducement and related claims arising from purported promises made by MBIA in connection with insurance policies issued by MBIA Corp. on certain collateralized loan obligations managed by Ms. Tilton and her affiliated Patriarch entities, and seeking damages. The plaintiffs filed an amended complaint on January 15, 2016, and MBIA Corp. and MBIA Inc. filed their motion to dismiss the complaint on February 19, 2016, which motion was fully briefed on April 11, 2016.

Ambac Bond Insurance Coverage Cases, Coordinated Proceeding Case No. JCCP 4555 (Super. Ct. of Cal., County of San Francisco)

Following an appeal of the dismissal of the plaintiff’s anti-trust claim under California’s Cartwright Act, the California Court of Appeal reinstated those claims against the bond insurer defendants on February 18, 2016. On April 8, 2016, Judge Wiss recused and disqualified herself from further proceedings in the matter.

The Company is defending against the aforementioned actions in which it is a defendant and expects ultimately to prevail on the merits. There is no assurance, however, that the Company will prevail in these actions. Adverse rulings in these actions could have a material adverse effect on the Company’s ability to implement its strategy and on its business, results of operations, cash flows and financial condition. At this stage of the litigation, there has not been a determination as to the amount, if any, of damages. Accordingly, the Company is not able to estimate any amount of loss or range of loss. There are no other material lawsuits pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened, to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party.

Lease Commitments

The Company has a lease agreement for its headquarters in Purchase, New York. The initial lease term expires in 2030 with the option to terminate the lease in 2025 upon the payment of a termination amount. This lease agreement included an incentive amount to fund certain leasehold improvements, renewal options, escalation clauses and a free rent period. The lease agreement has been classified as an operating lease, and operating rent expense has been recognized on a straight-line basis since the second quarter of 2014.

Note 14: Subsequent Events

Refer to “Note 13: Commitments and Contingencies” for information about legal proceedings that occurred after March 31, 2016.

Item 2. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations of MBIA Inc. should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in this Form 10-Q. In addition, this discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations includes statements of the opinion of MBIA Inc. ’s management which may be forward- looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical earnings and those presently anticipated or projected. Refer to “Forward-Looking Statements” and “Risk Factors” in Part I, Item 1A of MBIA Inc. ’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 for a further discussion of risks and uncertainties.

INTRODUCTION

MBIA Inc. (“MBIA”, the “Company”, “we”, “us”, or “our”) operates one of the largest financial guarantee insurance businesses in the industry. MBIA manages its business within three operating segments: 1) United States (“U.S.”) public finance insurance; 2) corporate; and 3) international and structured finance insurance. Our U.S. public finance insurance business is primarily operated through National Public Finance Guarantee Corporation (“National”), our corporate segment is operated through MBIA Inc. and several of its subsidiaries, including our service company, MBIA Services Corporation (“MBIA Services”) and is generally referred to as (“MBIA Inc.”), and our international and structured finance insurance business is primarily operated through MBIA Insurance Corporation and its subsidiaries (“MBIA Corp.”). Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, references to “MBIA Corp.” are to MBIA Insurance Corporation, together with its subsidiaries, MBIA UK Insurance Limited (“MBIA UK”) and MBIA Mexico S.A. de C.V (“MBIA Mexico”).

The primary objectives of our U.S. public finance insurance segment are to generate new insurance business in National, consistent with our portfolio management and return requirements, and to maximize the economics of our existing insured portfolio through effective surveillance and remediation. Our corporate segment consists of general corporate activities, including providing general support services to MBIA’s other operating businesses and asset and capital management. The primary objectives of our international and structured finance insurance segment are to preserve value, maintain adequate liquidity, reduce stressed insured exposure and mitigate insurance loss. We do not expect to write new business in our international and structured finance insurance segment for the foreseeable future.

Effective on January 1, 2015, we exited our advisory business through the sale of Cutwater Holdings, LLC and its subsidiaries (“Cutwater”) to a subsidiary of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation.

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Financial Highlights

The following tables present our financial highlights. A detailed discussion of our financial results is presented within the “Results of Operations” section included herein. Refer to the “Capital Resources—Insurance Statutory Capital” section for a discussion of National's and MBIA Insurance Corporation's capital positions under statutory accounting principles (“U.S. STAT”).

In millions except per share amounts and policies	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income (loss)	\$ (78)	\$ 69
Net income (loss) per diluted share	\$ (0.58)	\$ 0.37
Combined operating income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 16	\$ 34
Combined operating income per diluted share ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.18
Gross par exposure insured	\$ 158	\$ 38
Number of policies written	23	5
Amount of shares repurchased	\$ 94	\$ 76

(1) - Combined operating income (loss) and combined operating income (loss) per diluted share are non-GAAP measures. Refer to the following “Results of Operations” section for a discussion of operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted share and a reconciliation of GAAP net income to operating income (loss) and GAAP net income per diluted share to operating income (loss) per diluted share.

In millions except per share amounts	As of	As of
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Shareholders’ equity of MBIA Inc.	\$ 3,627	\$ 3,729
Book value per share	26.42	24.61
Adjusted book value per share ⁽¹⁾	31.74	29.69

(1) - Adjusted book value per share is a non-GAAP measure. Refer to the following “Results of Operations” section for a discussion of adjusted book value and a reconciliation of GAAP book value per share to adjusted book value per share.

Item 2. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (continued)

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW (continued)

National

National is the largest U.S. public finance-only bond insurer in the financial guarantee industry as measured by total insured gross par outstanding of \$149.8 billion as of March 31, 2016. National's primary business is insuring new issue and secondary market municipal bonds while providing ongoing surveillance of National's existing insured portfolio. National's ability to write new business and to compete with other financial guarantors is largely dependent on the financial strength ratings assigned to National by Kroll Bond Rating Agency (“Kroll”), Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC (“S&P”) and Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”). As of March 31, 2016, National had the following ratings: AA+ with a stable outlook by Kroll; AA- with a stable outlook by S&P; and A3 with a negative outlook by Moody’s.

National pursues opportunities for new business in most municipal sectors. Based on our underwriting and pricing criteria, the majority of our new business is in the general obligation, tax-backed and revenue bond sectors. In addition to the new issue market, we are pursuing opportunities in the secondary market with respect to bonds issued previously that were not insured and that meet our underwriting criteria.

National seeks to generate shareholder value at appropriate risk-adjusted pricing; however, current market conditions and the competitive landscape may limit National's new business opportunities and our ability to price and underwrite risk with attractive returns.

For the issuer, the value of financial guarantee insurance is largely determined by the spread between the interest rate on insured versus uninsured debt. For the investor, the decision to purchase insured bonds is influenced by the overall yield environment. In the current environment of low interest rates, investors may choose to purchase uninsured bonds to increase their returns. An environment of higher interest rates and/or wider spreads would likely enhance the new business opportunities for National. We also believe the current stress in certain sectors of the municipal bond market reinforces the value of National's guarantee of timely payment of interest and principal. Refer to the “U.S. Public Finance Insurance” section for additional information on National's new business.

Overall our U.S. public finance insured portfolio continues to perform satisfactorily against a backdrop of relatively stable domestic economic activity. While a stable or growing economy will generally benefit the tax revenues and fees charged for essential municipal services which secure the credits in our insured bond portfolio, some state, local governments and territory obligors we insure remain under financial and budgetary stress. This could lead to defaults by such entities on the payment of their obligations and insurance losses or claim payments on a greater number of our insured transactions. We continue to monitor and analyze these situations and other stressed credits closely, and the overall extent and duration of this stress is uncertain.

Exposure to Puerto Rico

As of March 31, 2016, National had \$3.9 billion of gross par outstanding (\$4.3 billion of gross par outstanding when including accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds (“CABs”)) related to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and certain of its instrumentalities (“Puerto Rico”). Puerto Rico is experiencing fiscal stress and constrained liquidity due to, among other things, Puerto Rico’s structural budget imbalance, limited access to the capital markets, a stagnating local economy, net migration of people out of Puerto Rico and a high debt burden. Although Puerto Rico has tried to address its significant financial challenges through various fiscal policies, it continues to experience fiscal stress. Refer to the “U.S. Public Finance Insurance Puerto Rico Exposures” section for additional information on our Puerto Rico exposures.

MBIA Inc.

Our medium-term strategy is to reduce our leverage at the holding company to a level consistent with a mid-investment grade capital structure. To execute this strategy, from time to time, we reduce unsecured debt through calls or repurchases, or repurchase outstanding MBIA Inc. common shares, depending on which activity we deem to be most beneficial to our shareholders at a particular point in time. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, we exhausted the capacity remaining under the October 28, 2015 repurchase program of \$94 million by repurchasing 14.9 million common shares of MBIA Inc. at an average share price of \$6.30. Refer to the “Capital Resources” section for further information on our share and debt repurchases. On February 23, 2016, the Company’s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase by the Company or its subsidiaries of up to \$100 million of its outstanding shares under a new share repurchase authorization. As of May 5, 2016, we have not repurchased any shares under this new share repurchase authorization.

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EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW (continued)

MBIA Corp.

MBIA Corp.’s primary objectives are to satisfy those claims, if any, of its policyholders, and to maximize future recoveries to its surplus note holders and preferred stock holders. We intend to execute this strategy by reducing and mitigating potential losses on our insurance exposures and maximizing the collection of recoveries.

In the event that MBIA Corp. experiences unexpected liquidity demands, it may have insufficient liquid resources to meet its obligations and may seek to secure liquidity through financing and other transactions. There can be no assurance that MBIA Corp. would be successful in those efforts. In particular, as of March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp. insures \$776 million of gross par outstanding of notes issued by Zohar II 2005-1, Limited (“Zohar II”), a high yield corporate collateralized debt obligation (“CDO”), which matures in January of 2017. If cash flows generated by Zohar II are insufficient to pay the insured amount at maturity in full, MBIA Corp. will be called upon to satisfy any unpaid amount. If Zohar II fails to generate cash to cover a substantial amount of the insured exposure at maturity, or if MBIA Corp. is unable to reach a restructuring agreement or to raise sufficient liquidity, MBIA Corp. may ultimately have insufficient liquid resources to continue to pay claims. Any such failure to meet its obligations could cause the New York State Department of Financial Services (“NYSDFS”) to put MBIA Insurance Corporation, exclusive of MBIA UK and MBIA Mexico, into a rehabilitation or liquidation proceeding and/or to order MBIA Insurance Corporation to cease paying any claims under its policies. Given the separation of MBIA Inc. and MBIA Corp. as distinct legal entities, the absence of any material intercompany lending agreements or cross defaults between the entities, and the lack of reliance by MBIA Inc. on MBIA Corp. for the receipt of dividends, we do not believe that a rehabilitation or liquidation proceeding with respect to MBIA Insurance Corporation would have any significant long-term liquidity impact on MBIA Inc. or result in a liquidation or similar proceeding of MBIA UK or MBIA Mexico. For similar reasons, we believe that MBIA Corp. does not provide significant economic value to MBIA Inc. and its shareholders. Refer to the “Liquidity—MBIA Corp. Liquidity” section for additional information on MBIA Corp.’s liquidity position.

MBIA Corp. has significant negative statutory earned surplus and therefore no current capacity to pay dividends. In addition, since July 15, 2012, the NYSDFS has not approved any payments on MBIA Insurance Corporation’s outstanding surplus notes. MBIA Corp. has contributed to the Company’s net operating loss carryforward (“NOL”), which is used in the calculation of our consolidated income taxes. MBIA Corp. maintains a notional NOL carryforward, and as a result of its NOL, when and if MBIA Corp. is profitable, it is not expected to make any tax payments under the MBIA group’s tax sharing agreement (the “Tax Escrow Account”). Based on MBIA Corp.’s current projected earnings and our expectation that it will not write new business for the foreseeable future, we believe it is unlikely that MBIA Corp. will generate sufficient income to fully use its NOL. Refer to the “Capital Resources—MBIA Insurance Corporation” section for additional information on MBIA Insurance Corporation’s surplus notes and statutory capital.

Economic and Financial Market Trends

The U.S. economy grew at a modest pace during the first quarter of 2016 supported by better than expected job gains, including wage growth and an increase in the labor force participation rate, however the unemployment rate rose slightly. In light of its view of the global economy, in March of 2016, the Federal Open Market Committee held interest rates steady and indicated that any future monetary policy tightening would be gradual despite the improving labor market.

During the first quarter of 2016, the European Central Bank reduced interest rates and introduced additional stimulus measures to revitalize the European economy and reduce the threat of deflation. In addition to concerns over the slowing growth in China and other emerging markets, weak global commodity prices and the European migrant crisis continue to weigh on the global economy. In the aggregate, conditions in Europe, China and other key markets remain uncertain and any material adverse impact on these economies may have implications for continued U.S. growth.

Economic and financial market trends could impact MBIA’s business outlook and its financial results. Many states and municipalities have experienced growing tax collections and appreciation in local level assessed valuations which drive property taxes. The consistent gradual improvement of economic indicators at the state and local levels that strengthen the credit quality of the issuers of our insured municipal bonds is expected to improve the performance of our insured U.S. public finance portfolio and could reduce the amount of National’s incurred losses. A decrease in oil prices which benefits consumers could have a positive impact on certain sales taxes to the extent consumer spending increases as a result. However, some states and municipalities will experience a decrease in revenues where their economies are reliant on the oil and gas industries.

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CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”), which requires the use of estimates and assumptions. Management has discussed and reviewed the development, selection, and disclosure of critical accounting estimates with the Company’s Audit Committee. Our most critical accounting estimates include loss and loss adjustment expense (“LAE”) reserves, valuation of financial instruments, and income taxes, since these estimates require significant judgment. Any modifications in these estimates could materially impact our financial results.

For a discussion of the Company’s critical accounting estimates, see “Critical Accounting Estimates” in Part II, Item 7, “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. In addition, refer to “Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves”, “Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments” and “Note 9: Income Taxes” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a current description of estimates used in our insurance loss reserving process, information about our financial assets and liabilities that are accounted for at fair value, including valuation techniques and significant inputs and estimates involving income taxes.

RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Refer to “Note 3: Recent Accounting Pronouncements” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of accounting guidance recently adopted by the Company.

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Summary of Consolidated Results

The following table presents a summary of our consolidated financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions except share and per share amounts	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Total revenues (losses)	\$ 32	\$ 219
Total expenses	133	106
Income (loss) before income taxes	(101)	113
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(23)	44
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ (78)</u>	<u>\$ 69</u>
Net income (loss) per common share:		
Basic	\$ (0.58)	\$ 0.37
Diluted	\$ (0.58)	\$ 0.37
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:		
Basic	135,814,835	181,735,876
Diluted	135,814,835	182,736,415

Consolidated total revenues decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 principally due to losses in foreign exchange, net losses on insured derivatives and changes on our interest rate swaps. The net losses in foreign exchange were primarily associated with our Euro denominated liabilities as a result of the weakening of the U.S. dollar. We incurred net losses on insured derivatives for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with net gains for the same period of 2015. These changes were principally the result of the effects of changes in the market’s perception of MBIA Corp.’s nonperformance risk on its derivative liabilities. The increase in net losses from changes in interest rate swaps for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 was primarily due to a gain from the termination of interest rate swaps in 2015, partially offset by a decrease in losses from mark-to-market changes on our interest rate swaps.

Consolidated total expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 included \$22 million of net insurance loss and LAE compared with a \$6 million benefit for the same period of 2015. The increase in loss and LAE for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 was primarily due to increases in expected payments on certain U.S. public finance transactions and insured residential mortgage-backed securities (“RMBS”).

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Operating Income (Loss)

In addition to our results prepared in accordance with GAAP, we also analyze the operating performance of the Company using operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share, both non-GAAP measures. Since operating income (loss) is used by management to assess performance and make business decisions, we consider operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share fundamental measures of periodic financial performance which are useful in understanding our results. Operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share are not substitutes for net income (loss) and net income (loss) per diluted common share determined in accordance with GAAP, and our definitions of operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share may differ from those used by other companies.

Operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share include the combined after-tax results of our U.S. public finance insurance and corporate segments and remove the after-tax results of our international and structured finance insurance segment, which is not part of our ongoing business strategy as we do not expect to write new business in this segment. In addition, we exited our advisory services segment through the sale of Cutwater effective January 1, 2015.

In addition to removing our international and structured finance insurance segment, operating income (loss) is adjusted for the following:

- Elimination of the after-tax impact of mark-to-market gains (losses) on financial instruments that primarily include interest rate swaps and hybrid financial instruments. Also eliminated are the mark-to market gains (losses) on warrants issued by the Company. All of these amounts fluctuate based on market interest rates, credit spreads, MBIA Inc.'s common stock price and other market factors.
- Elimination of the after-tax impact of foreign exchange gains (losses) on the remeasurement of certain assets and liabilities and transactions in non-functional currencies. Given the possibility of volatility in foreign exchange markets, we exclude the impact of foreign exchange gains (losses) to provide a measurement of comparability of operating income (loss).
- Elimination of the after-tax impact of gains (losses) on the sale of investments, net investment losses related to other-than-temporary impairments (“OTTI”) and net gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt since the timing of these transactions are subject to management’s assessment of market opportunities and capital liquidity positions.
- Elimination of the after-tax impact of gains (losses) from the sale of Cutwater.
- Elimination of foreign tax credit adjustments.

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The following table presents our combined operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share and provides reconciliations of GAAP net income (loss) to operating income (loss) and GAAP net income (loss) per diluted common share to operating income (loss) per diluted common share for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions except share and per share amounts	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2016		2015	
Net income (loss) and net income (loss) per diluted common share	\$ (78)	\$ (0.58)	\$ 69	\$ 0.37
Less: net income (loss) of our international and structured finance insurance segment, including eliminations	(35)	(0.26)	(3)	(0.02)
Less: after-tax adjustments:				
Mark-to-market gains (losses) on financial instruments ⁽¹⁾	(35)	(0.26)	(17)	(0.09)
Foreign exchange gains (losses) ⁽¹⁾	(18)	(0.13)	42	0.23
Net gains (losses) on sales of investments ⁽¹⁾	4	0.03	-	-
Net investment losses related to OTTI	(1)	(0.01)	-	-
Net gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	1	0.01	-	-
Other net realized gains (losses) ⁽²⁾	(1)	(0.01)	13	0.07
Foreign tax credit adjustment ⁽³⁾	(9)	(0.07)	-	-
Operating income (loss) and operating income (loss) per diluted common share	<u>\$ 16</u>	<u>\$ 0.12</u>	<u>\$ 34</u>	<u>\$ 0.18</u>
Weighted average diluted shares		136,445,319 ⁽⁴⁾		182,736,415

(1) - Gross amounts are reported within "Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange" and the corresponding tax effects are reported within "Provision (benefit) for income taxes" on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

(2) - Relates to the after-tax impact from the sale of Cutwater.

(3) - Reported within "Provision (benefit) for income taxes" on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

(4) - Includes GAAP diluted weighted average number of common shares of 135,814,835 and the dilutive effect of common stock equivalents of 630,484 shares.

Adjusted Book Value

In addition to book value per share, we also analyze adjusted book value ("ABV") per share, a non-GAAP measure. We consider ABV a measure of fundamental value of the Company and the change in ABV an important measure of financial performance. ABV adjusts GAAP book value to remove the after-tax results of our international and structured finance insurance segment. In addition, ABV adjusts for certain items which the Company believes will reverse from GAAP book value through GAAP earnings and other comprehensive income, as well as to add in the impact of certain items which the Company believes will be realized in GAAP book value in future periods. The Company has limited such adjustments to those items that it deems to be important to fundamental value and performance and for which the likelihood and amount can be reasonably estimated. We have presented ABV to allow investors and analysts to evaluate the Company using the same measure that MBIA's management regularly uses to measure financial performance and value. ABV is not a substitute for and should not be viewed in isolation of GAAP book value, and our definition of ABV may differ from that used by other companies.

As of March 31, 2016, ABV per share was \$31.74, an increase from \$29.69 as of December 31, 2015. The increase in ABV per share was primarily driven by a decrease in common shares outstanding from the share repurchases made by the Company during the first quarter of 2016. The following table provides a reconciliation of consolidated book value per share to consolidated ABV per share:

In millions except share and per share amounts	As of	As of
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Total shareholders' equity of MBIA Inc.	\$ 3,627	\$ 3,729
Common shares outstanding	137,277,304	151,530,377
Book value per share	\$ 26.42	\$ 24.61
Reverse book value of international and structured finance insurance segment (after-tax) ⁽¹⁾	2.18	1.61

Reverse net unrealized (gains) losses included in other comprehensive income (loss) (after-tax)	(0.26)	0.20
Add net unearned premium revenue (after-tax) ⁽²⁾	<u>3.40</u>	<u>3.27</u>
Total adjustments per share	<u>5.32</u>	<u>5.08</u>
Adjusted book value per share	<u>\$ 31.74</u>	<u>\$ 29.69</u>

- (1) - The book value for the international and structured finance insurance segment does not provide significant economic or shareholder value to MBIA Inc. Amounts are net of any deferred taxes available to MBIA Inc.
- (2) - Consists of financial guarantee premiums, net of deferred acquisition costs. The discount rate on financial guarantee installment premiums was the risk-free rate as defined by the accounting principles for financial guarantee insurance contracts.

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U.S. Public Finance Insurance

Our U.S. public finance insurance business is primarily conducted through National. The financial guarantees issued by National provide unconditional and irrevocable guarantees of the payment of the principal of, and interest or other amounts owing on, insured obligations when due or, in the event National has exercised, at its discretion, the right to accelerate the payment under its policies upon the acceleration of the underlying insured obligations due to default or otherwise. National's guarantees insure municipal bonds, including tax-exempt and taxable indebtedness of U.S. political subdivisions, as well as utility districts, airports, healthcare institutions, higher educational facilities, student loan issuers, housing authorities and other similar agencies and obligations issued by private entities that finance projects that serve a substantial public purpose. Municipal bonds and privately issued bonds used for the financing of public purpose projects are generally supported by taxes, assessments, user fees or tariffs related to the use of these projects, lease payments or other similar types of revenue streams.

The following table presents our U.S. public finance insurance segment results for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Net premiums earned	\$ 58	\$ 85	-32%
Net investment income	31	29	7%
Fees and reimbursements	1	1	- %
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	9	3	n/m
Other net realized gains (losses)	-	(4)	-100%
Total revenues	99	114	-13%
Losses and loss adjustment	9	(6)	n/m
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	12	18	-33%
Operating	15	16	-6%
Total expenses	36	28	29%
Income (loss) before income taxes	63	86	-27%
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	22	29	-24%
Net income (loss)	\$ 41	\$ 57	-28%

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

National supports the credit enhancement needs of municipal debt issuers across the U.S. National maintains underwriting criteria for most municipal risk types and pursues opportunities for new business across the spectrum of municipal sectors. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, National insured \$158 million of gross par exposure in the primary and secondary markets. The majority of its new business is in the general obligation, tax-backed and revenue bond sectors. Low interest rates and competitive pricing levels continue to limit new business opportunities.

OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) In addition to the above results, we also analyze the operating performance of our U.S. public finance insurance segment using operating income (loss), a non-GAAP measure. We believe operating income (loss), as used by management, is useful for an understanding of the results of operations of the Company. Operating income (loss) is not a substitute for net income (loss) determined in accordance with GAAP, and our definition of operating income (loss) may differ from that used by other companies.

The following table presents a reconciliation of GAAP net income (loss) to operating income (loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income (loss)	\$ 41	\$ 57
Less: after-tax adjustments:		
Net gains (losses) on sales of investments ⁽¹⁾	4	1
Operating income (loss)	\$ 37	\$ 56

(1) - Gross amounts are reported within "Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange" and the corresponding tax effects are reported within "Provision (benefit) for income taxes" on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

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NET PREMIUMS EARNED Net premiums earned on financial guarantees represent gross premiums earned net of premiums ceded to reinsurers, and include scheduled premium earnings and premium earnings from refunded issues. The decrease in net premiums earned for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 resulted from decreases in refunded premiums earned of \$18 million and scheduled premiums earned of \$9 million. Scheduled premium earnings declined due to the refunding and maturity of insured issues in prior periods. Refunding activity over the past several years has accelerated premium earnings in prior periods and reduced the amount of scheduled premiums that would have been earned in the current period.

NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AT FAIR VALUE AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE The favorable change in net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 was principally due to increases in net realized gains from the sales of securities from the ongoing management of our U.S. public finance insurance investment portfolio and favorable mark-to-market fluctuations on financial instruments.

OTHER NET REALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) Other net realized losses for the three months ended March 31, 2015 related to an impairment charge on our Armonk, New York facility of \$4 million to adjust the carrying amount to its sales price less costs to sell.

LOSS AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES National's portfolio surveillance group is responsible for monitoring our U.S. public finance segment's insured obligations. The level and frequency of monitoring of any insured obligation depends on the type, size, rating and our assessed performance of the insured issue.

Refer to “Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a description of the Company's loss reserving policy and additional information related to its loss reserves.

The following table presents information about our U.S. public finance insurance loss and LAE expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Loss and LAE related to expected payments	\$ 19	\$ (5)	n/m
Recoveries of expected payments	(10)	(1)	n/m
Gross losses incurred	9	(6)	n/m
Reinsurance	-	-	-%
Losses and loss adjustment expenses (benefit)	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ (6)</u>	<u>n/m</u>

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, losses and LAE primarily related to increases in expected payments on certain Puerto Rico exposures. The benefit in losses and LAE for the three months ended March 31, 2015 primarily related to decreases in reserves for certain municipal utilities and general obligation bonds.

The following table presents information about our U.S. public finance insurance loss and LAE reserves and recoverables as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

In millions	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	Percent Change
Assets:			
Insurance loss recoverable	\$ 3	\$ 4	-25%
Reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses ⁽¹⁾	1	1	-%
Liabilities:			
Gross loss and LAE reserves	83	66	26%
Expected recoveries on unpaid losses	(31)	(21)	48%
Loss and LAE reserves	<u>\$ 52</u>	<u>\$ 45</u>	<u>16%</u>

(1) - Reported within “Other assets” on our consolidated balance sheets.

Loss and LAE Reserves as of March 31, 2016 increased compared with December 31, 2015 primarily as a result of increases in expected payments on certain Puerto Rico exposures.

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Included in our U.S. public finance loss and LAE reserves are both reserves for insured obligations for estimated future claims payments, which includes insured credits where a payment default has occurred and National has already paid a claim and insured credits where a payment default has not yet occurred. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, loss and LAE reserves comprised the following:

\$ in millions	Number of Issues ⁽¹⁾		Loss and LAE Reserve		Par Outstanding	
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Gross of reinsurance:						
Issues with defaults	3	3	\$ 13	\$ 13	\$ 52	\$ 52
Issues without defaults	8	5	39	32	3,056	1,430
Total gross of reinsurance	11	8	\$ 52	\$ 45	\$3,108	\$ 1,482

(1) - An “issue” represents the aggregate of financial guarantee policies that share the same revenue source for purposes of making debt service payments.

POLICY ACQUISITION COSTS AND OPERATING EXPENSES U.S. public finance insurance segment expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are presented in the following table:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Gross expenses	\$ 15	\$ 16	-6%
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	\$ 12	\$ 18	-33%
Operating	15	16	-6%
Total insurance operating expenses	\$ 27	\$ 34	-21%

Gross expenses represent total insurance expenses before the deferral of any policy acquisition costs. Gross expenses decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to a decrease in office related expenses. Operating expenses decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 due to changes in gross expenses.

Amortization of deferred acquisition costs decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 due to lower refunding activity in 2016. When an insured obligation refunds, we accelerate any remaining deferred acquisition costs associated with the refunding. We did not defer a material amount of policy acquisition costs during the first quarters of 2016 or 2015.

INSURED PORTFOLIO EXPOSURE Financial guarantee insurance companies use a variety of approaches to assess the underlying credit risk profile of their insured portfolios. National uses both an internally developed credit rating system as well as third-party rating sources in the analysis of credit quality measures of its insured portfolio. In evaluating credit risk, we obtain, when available, the underlying rating of the insured obligation before the benefit of its insurance policy from nationally recognized rating agencies, Moody’s and S&P. Other companies within the financial guarantee industry may report credit quality information based upon internal ratings that would not be comparable to our presentation. We maintain internal ratings on our entire portfolio, and our ratings may be higher or lower than the ratings assigned by Moody’s or S&P.

The following table presents the credit quality distribution of National’s U.S. public finance outstanding gross par insured as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. CABs are reported at the par amount at the time of issuance of the insurance policy. All ratings are as of the period presented and represent S&P ratings. If transactions are not rated by S&P, a Moody’s equivalent rating is used. If transactions are not rated by either S&P or Moody’s, an internal equivalent rating is used.

In millions Rating	Gross Par Outstanding			
	March 31, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
AAA	\$ 6,325	4.2%	\$ 6,721	4.2%
AA	71,948	48.0%	77,081	47.9%
A	51,404	34.4%	56,890	35.3%
BBB	13,800	9.2%	13,947	8.6%
Below investment grade	6,352	4.2%	6,378	4.0%
Total	\$149,829	100.0%	\$161,017	100.0%

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U.S. Public Finance Insurance Puerto Rico Exposures

The following is a summary of exposures within the insured portfolio of our U.S. public finance insurance segment related to Puerto Rico as of March 31, 2016.

In millions	Gross Par Outstanding	Gross Par Outstanding Plus CAB Accreted Interest	Debt Service Outstanding	National Internal Rating
Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,354	\$ 1,373	\$ 1,960	d
Puerto Rico Commonwealth GO ⁽¹⁾	985	1,024	1,337	d
Puerto Rico Highway and Transportation Authority Transportation Revenue (PRHTA) ⁽¹⁾	628	629	1,137	d
Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation (COFINA) ⁽¹⁾	684	1,051	4,170	a3
Puerto Rico Highway and Transportation Authority Highway Revenue (PRHTA) ⁽¹⁾	87	88	124	bb2
University of Puerto Rico System Revenue	89	89	132	bbb3
Inter American University of Puerto Rico Inc.	26	26	36	a3
Puerto Rico Industrial Development Company	7	7	7	bbb3
Total	<u>\$ 3,860</u>	<u>\$ 4,287</u>	<u>\$ 8,903</u>	

(1) - Includes CABs that reflect the gross par amount at the time of issuance of the insurance policy.

For many years Puerto Rico’s economy has suffered from stagnation that has led to recurring budget deficits and increased borrowing to finance such deficits. As a result of mounting debt, deteriorating credit ratings and lack of market confidence, Puerto Rico has lost access to the capital markets. Puerto Rico’s lack of liquidity and market access has led to defaults on its debt obligations, including general obligations (“GO”).

Developments concerning Puerto Rico’s fiscal condition have occurred, and are occurring, with more frequency. Set forth below are a subset of developments that are significant to National and its exposures to the Commonwealth.

National’s largest exposure to the Commonwealth, by gross par outstanding, is to PREPA. On December 23, 2015, National, Assured Guaranty, and the ad hoc group of bondholders (representing approximately \$3.0 billion, or 37.0% of the power revenue bonds) entered into a Restructuring Support Agreement (“RSA”) with PREPA addressing, among other things, the treatment of approximately 65% of \$8.1 billion of outstanding PREPA bonds, including approximately \$1.4 billion of PREPA bonds insured by National. The RSA calls for a newly formed bankruptcy remote entity (“SPE”) to issue securitized bonds including bonds that are equal in principal amount to the outstanding principal of the PREPA bonds insured by National and by another monoline insurer (“Mirror Bonds”). The Mirror Bonds will bear interest at the same rate and will amortize at the same schedule as the existing insured legacy bonds which they back. Payments on the Mirror Bonds will be used to make payment on the insured legacy bonds.

Additionally, and subject to certain market rate and rating agency conditions, the SPE may issue additional securitization bonds to refinance outstanding currently callable and non-callable insured legacy bonds (approximately \$320 million of National exposure). National will issue a Surety Bond in an amount up to \$344 million as partial funding of a Debt Service Reserve Fund (“DSRF”) for the securitization bonds which would be used after a \$65 million cash funded DSRF. The Surety Bond will be amortized using cash from the SPE over seven years starting in the seventh year, but can amortize after the second year over nine years if PREPA does not refinance the currently callable and non-callable debt referenced above.

Finally, the monolines and the bondholders which are a party to the RSA entered into a Bond Purchase Agreement committing to purchase certain bonds of PREPA in the aggregate amount of \$115 million, approximately \$35 million of which will be purchased by National, subject to certain funding conditions precedent. The bonds will earn 10% interest, will mature on July 1, 2019 and will be supported by Mirror Bonds when the SPE issues its securitization bonds.

In February of 2016, the RSA was approved by Puerto Rico’s House of Representatives and Senate and signed into law by the Governor of Puerto Rico. On April 7, 2016 the PREPA Revitalization Corporation satisfied one of the funding conditions precedent by filing its rate transition case and the supporting materials before the Puerto Rico Energy Commission (“PREC”), including the calculation methodology to assess securitization charges in connection with PREPA’s restructuring. The PREC has 75 days to review the petition.

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Also as set forth above, National has significant exposure to PRHTA. On December 1, 2015, the Governor of Puerto Rico signed an executive order to redirect certain revenues previously allocated to select public corporation and certain other government agencies (“clawback”), including PRHTA. On January 1, 2016, Puerto Rico made all of its debt service payments due except for bond payments totaling \$37 million relating to the Puerto Rico Infrastructure Authority (“PRIFA”) and Public Finance Corporation. Following the missed payment by PRIFA, certain bond insurers (not including National) filed a lawsuit against Puerto Rico claiming that the clawback of the revenues violated the U.S. constitution and the laws of Puerto Rico. Puerto Rico has made a motion to dismiss that case. The outcome of that legal challenge is uncertain, and further, while adoption of the clawback measure was intended to provide short-term relief, Puerto Rico’s lack of a comprehensive plan or clear evidence of steps to conserve resources necessary to meet its near term debt service obligations raises questions as to whether the intercept will continue to be a short-term measure.

In a further effort to address its fiscal issues, on April 6, 2016, the Governor of Puerto Rico signed into law The Puerto Rico Emergency Moratorium and Financial Rehabilitation Act (Senate Bill 1591 or the “Moratorium Act”). The legislation gives the Governor of Puerto Rico the power to order a moratorium on the payment of certain debts across all of Puerto Rico’s credits through January 1, 2017 and stay creditor remedies that may result from the moratorium. The legislation also entails sweeping changes at the Government Development Bank of Puerto Rico (“GDB”) aimed in part at providing an alternative to GDB’s liquidation and resolution under existing law. It would amend the GDB’s charter to allow Puerto Rico to appoint a receiver outside of court, clarify the receiver’s powers, and establish priorities of expenses and unsecured claims in a receivership. On April 9, 2016, consistent with his new powers, the Governor of Puerto Rico signed an executive order declaring an emergency period for the GDB to help keep it operating, while declining to halt or suspend its debt obligations. Declaring an emergency period allows the Governor of Puerto Rico to create a bridge bank that would take on some of the GDB’s liabilities, including deposits, and continue certain functions of the bank. On April 18, 2016, the Puerto Rico House of Representatives subsequently passed amendments to the Moratorium Act, which exclude certain issuers, including the GO’s and COFINA, from the Moratorium Act. The amended bill has not yet been passed by the Puerto Rico Senate and it is unclear what the timing for passage will be or whether further amendments will be proposed. On May 1, 2016, using powers under the Moratorium Act, the Governor of Puerto Rico invoked a moratorium on the GDB debt due the same day. In connection with the payments due on May 1, 2016, the GDB negotiated a 30-day forbearance agreement with an ad hoc group of GDB holders owning approximately 25% of the bonds. The GDB also negotiated a one-year extension for a small portion of bonds held by local cooperatives. Finally, the GDB paid accrued interest in full. The exercise of the moratorium by the Governor of Puerto Rico covered the remaining payments due.

An earlier legislative enactment, designed to provide a means to restructure the debt of certain of the Commonwealth’s public corporations (the Public Corporations Debt Enforcement and Recovery Act, or the “Recovery Act”), has been deemed unconstitutional by the U.S. District Court in Puerto Rico, and the First Circuit Court of Appeals. Review of the lower court rulings was granted by the Supreme Court of the United States, and the case was argued on March 22, 2016. A decision is expected by June 30, 2016. If the U.S. Supreme Court reverses the lower court’s rulings and if the Recovery Act is ultimately reinstated, certain public corporation issuers of debt insured by National might be eligible to seek protection under the Recovery Act, which could result in significant delays in payments by such issuers and impede efforts to achieve a consensual restructuring.

In addition to its own legislative actions and efforts to negotiate, Puerto Rico has been petitioning the U.S. government for fiscal support as well as debt relief. On March 25, 2016, the House Committee on Natural Resources released a discussion draft of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act (“PROMESA”). PROMESA provides both for the creation of an oversight board with powers relating to the development and implementation of a fiscal plan for Puerto Rico as well as a court-supervised process (independent of the Bankruptcy Code) that allows Puerto Rico to restructure its debt if voluntary agreement cannot be reached with creditors. PROMESA remains in draft form and timing is unclear regarding voting and odds of passage.

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In addition to discussion about the potential restructuring of individual exposures, discussions have also taken place regarding an overall restructuring of the Commonwealth’s debt. On February 1, 2016, Puerto Rico released a restructuring proposal to creditors that contemplates a voluntary debt exchange of approximately \$49 billion of currently outstanding tax-supported debt, including GO debt, for two types of securities: \$26.5 billion in “Base Bonds”; and \$22.7 billion in contingent “Growth Bonds”. Base Bonds would be payable from certain tax revenue streams and exchanged at current market prices while Growth Bonds would be linked to future economic targets and only paid if targets are met. On April 1, 2016, Puerto Rico, in response to some concerns from its creditors, updated its proposal with certain economic changes including: (i) the Base Bonds exchange rate was changed from market pricing to a fixed price with slight implied premium to recent market prices; (ii) a replacement of the Growth Bonds with CABs (subject to a mandatory repayment schedule), which would ultimately pay out in an amount equal to the difference between current par value and the newly issued base bond par value; (iii) an increase in run rate annual debt service by \$150 million; and (iv) a new option for local holders to exchange at par into a “local holder bond” paying 2% cash interest for life with final maturity after CAB maturity. We believe this proposal fails to address Puerto Rico’s need to eliminate fiscal mismanagement and implement necessary fiscal and economic reforms. Additionally, neither National nor any other creditor has the information required to properly evaluate the assumptions underlying the restructuring proposal because the government of Puerto Rico still has not issued its audited financial reports.

Other than Inter American University of Puerto Rico Inc., S&P, Fitch Ratings and/or Moody’s have downgraded the ratings of all Puerto Rico issuers to below investment grade with a negative outlook due to narrowing liquidity, sluggish economic growth and persistent structural deficits. Although we have downgraded our internal rating for certain Puerto Rico insured debt, including that of the Commonwealth, PREPA and PRHTA, to below investment grade, all of the insured obligations included in the preceding table are presently current on debt service payments (with PREPA using debt service reserve funds to pay its July 1, 2014, January 1, 2015, and a portion of its July 1, 2015 debt service payments).

Scheduled gross debt service due on our Puerto Rico exposures for the nine months ending December 31, 2016 and each of the subsequent four years ending December 31 and thereafter are presented in the following table:

In millions	As of March 31, 2016						
	Nine Months Ending December 31, 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Thereafter	Total
Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA)	\$ 140	\$ 184	\$ 120	\$ 177	\$ 115	\$ 1,224	\$1,960
Puerto Rico Commonwealth GO	173	77	113	177	230	567	1,337
Puerto Rico Highway and Transportation Authority Transportation Revenue (PRHTA)	25	36	40	32	33	971	1,137
Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation (COFINA)	-	-	-	-	-	4,170	4,170
Puerto Rico Highway and Transportation Authority Highway Revenue (PRHTA)	2	22	6	16	17	61	124
University of Puerto Rico System Revenue	5	8	7	7	7	98	132
Inter American University of Puerto Rico Inc.	3	3	3	3	3	21	36
Puerto Rico Industrial Development Company	7	-	-	-	-	-	7
Total	<u>\$ 355</u>	<u>\$ 330</u>	<u>\$ 289</u>	<u>\$ 412</u>	<u>\$ 405</u>	<u>\$ 7,112</u>	<u>\$8,903</u>

Corporate

Our corporate segment consists of general corporate activities, including providing general support services to MBIA Inc.’s subsidiaries and asset and capital management. General support services are provided by our service company, MBIA Services, including, among others, management, legal, accounting, treasury, information technology, and insurance portfolio surveillance, on a fee-for-service basis. Capital management includes activities related to servicing obligations issued by MBIA Inc. and its subsidiaries, MBIA Global Funding, LLC (“GFL”) and MBIA Investment Management Corp. (“IMC”). MBIA Inc. issued debt to finance the operations of the MBIA group. GFL raised funds through the issuance of medium-term notes (“MTNs”) with varying maturities, which were in turn guaranteed by MBIA Corp. GFL lent the proceeds of these MTN issuances to MBIA Inc. IMC, along with MBIA Inc., provided customized investment agreements, guaranteed by MBIA Corp., for bond proceeds and other public funds for such purposes as construction, loan origination, escrow and debt service or other reserve fund requirements. The Company has ceased issuing these MTNs and investment agreements and the outstanding liability balances and corresponding asset balances have declined over time as liabilities mature, terminate or are retired. All of the debt within the corporate segment is managed collectively and is serviced by available liquidity.

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The following table summarizes the consolidated results of our corporate segment for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Net investment income	\$ 8	\$ 8	-%
Fees	13	13	-%
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(84)	32	n/m
Net investment losses related to other-than-temporary impairments	(1)	-	n/m
Net gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	2	-	n/m
Other net realized gains (losses)	(1)	24	-104%
Total revenues	(63)	77	n/m
Operating	22	20	10%
Interest	23	25	-8%
Total expenses	45	45	-%
Income (loss) before income taxes	(108)	32	n/m
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(24)	17	n/m
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ (84)</u>	<u>\$ 15</u>	<u>n/m</u>

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AT FAIR VALUE AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE The unfavorable change in net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 was primarily due to foreign exchange losses on Euro denominated liabilities from the weakening of the U.S. dollar and gains from the termination of interest rate swaps recorded in 2015. These unfavorable changes were partially offset by a decrease in losses from mark-to-market changes of our interest rate swaps.

OTHER NET REALIZED GAINS (LOSSES) The decrease in other net realized gains for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 was primarily due to the gain from the sale of Cutwater recorded in the first quarter of 2015.

OPERATING EXPENSES Operating expenses increased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to an increase in compensation expense related to employee benefits.

INTEREST EXPENSE Interest expense decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to the continued maturity and repurchases of debt obligations by the Company.

PROVISION (BENEFIT) FOR INCOME TAXES The benefit for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was lower than the statutory rate of 35% principally due to foreign tax credit adjustments and the fluctuation of the value of nondeductible warrants issued by the Company. The provision for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2015 was higher than the statutory rate of 35% principally due to the change in the value of nondeductible warrants issued by the Company and write-offs of deferred tax assets primarily due to the sale of Cutwater.

OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) In addition to the above results, we also analyze the operating performance of our corporate segment using operating income (loss), a non-GAAP measure. We believe operating income (loss), as used by management, is useful for an understanding of the results of operations of the Company. Operating income (loss) is not a substitute for net income (loss) determined in accordance with GAAP, and our definition of operating income (loss) may differ from that used by other companies.

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The following table presents a reconciliation of GAAP net income (loss) to operating income (loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Net income (loss)	\$ (84)	\$ 15
Less: after-tax adjustments:		
Mark-to-market gains (losses) on financial instruments ⁽¹⁾	(35)	(17)
Foreign exchange gains (losses) ⁽¹⁾	(18)	42
Net gains (losses) on sales of investments ⁽¹⁾	-	(1)
Net investment losses related to OTTI	(1)	-
Net gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	1	-
Other net realized gains (losses) ⁽²⁾	(1)	13
Foreign tax credit adjustment ⁽³⁾	(9)	-
Operating income (loss)	<u>\$ (21)</u>	<u>\$ (22)</u>

(1) - Gross amounts are reported within “Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange” and the corresponding tax effects are reported within “Provision (benefit) for income taxes” on the Company’s consolidated statements of operations.

(2) - Relates to the after-tax impact from the sale of Cutwater.

(3) - Reported within “Provision (benefit) for income taxes” on the Company’s consolidated statements of operations.

International and Structured Finance Insurance

Our international and structured finance insurance business is principally operated through MBIA Corp. The financial guarantees issued by MBIA Corp. generally provide unconditional and irrevocable guarantees of the payment of the principal of, and interest or other amounts owing on, non-U.S. public finance and global structured finance insured obligations when due or, in the event MBIA Corp. has the right, at its discretion, to accelerate insured obligations upon default or otherwise. MBIA Insurance Corporation insures the investment contracts written by MBIA Inc., and if MBIA Inc. or such subsidiaries were to have insufficient assets to pay amounts due upon maturity or termination, MBIA Insurance Corporation would make such payments under its insurance policies. MBIA Insurance Corporation also insured debt obligations of other affiliates, including GFL and IMC. MBIA Insurance Corporation has also written insurance policies guaranteeing the obligations under credit default swap (“CDS”) contracts of an affiliate, LaCrosse Financial Products, LLC (“LaCrosse”), and certain other derivative contracts, which may include termination payments that may become due in certain events, including the insolvency or payment defaults of MBIA Insurance Corporation or LaCrosse. Currently, MBIA Insurance Corporation provides reinsurance to MBIA Mexico. In 2015, MBIA Insurance Corporation terminated its reinsurance agreement and its net worth maintenance agreement with MBIA UK by mutual consent.

MBIA Corp. insures non-U.S. public finance and global structured finance, including asset-backed obligations. MBIA Corp. has insured sovereign-related and sub-sovereign bonds, privately issued bonds used for the financing of utilities, toll roads, bridges, airports, public transportation facilities, and other types of infrastructure projects serving a substantial public purpose. Global structured finance and asset-backed obligations typically are securities repayable from cash flows generated by a specified pool of assets, such as residential and commercial mortgages, insurance policies, consumer loans, corporate loans and bonds, trade and export receivables, and leases for equipment, aircraft and real estate property. We no longer insure new credit derivative contracts except for transactions related to the restructuring or reduction of existing derivative exposure.

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The following table presents our international and structured finance insurance segment results for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Net premiums earned	\$ 23	\$ 25	-8%
Net investment income	3	3	-%
Fees and reimbursements	12	18	-33%
Change in fair value of insured derivatives:			
Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives	(14)	(9)	56%
Unrealized gains (losses) on insured derivatives	(14)	37	-138%
Net change in fair value of insured derivatives	(28)	28	n/m
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	6	(4)	n/m
Revenues of consolidated VIEs:			
Net investment income	15	12	25%
Net gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange	(1)	(10)	-90%
Total revenues	30	72	-58%
Losses and loss adjustment	13	-	n/m
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	15	21	-29%
Operating	11	13	-15%
Interest	29	28	4%
Expenses of consolidated VIEs:			
Operating	4	4	-%
Interest	12	10	20%
Total expenses	84	76	11%
Income (loss) before income taxes	(54)	(4)	n/m
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	(23)	(2)	n/m
Net income (loss)	\$ (31)	\$ (2)	n/m

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, we did not write any new international and structured finance insurance. We do not expect to write new business in our international and structured finance insurance segment in the foreseeable future due to its current ratings, accumulated losses and non-policy claims related to our subordinate preferred stock holders and surplus note holders. Furthermore, MBIA UK is no longer permitted to write new business and doing so would require regulatory approval. Our primary objectives for MBIA Corp. are risk reduction, loss mitigation and value preservation. As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp.'s total insured gross par outstanding was \$38.5 billion. Since December 31, 2007, our total insured gross par outstanding has decreased approximately 88% from \$331.2 billion.

NET PREMIUMS EARNED Our international and structured finance insurance segment generates net premiums from insurance policies accounted for as financial guarantee contracts. Certain premiums may be eliminated in our consolidated financial statements as a result of the Company consolidating variable interest entities (“VIEs”). In addition, we generate net premiums from insured credit derivatives that are included in “Realized gains (losses) and other settlements on insured derivatives” on our consolidated statements of operations. The following table provides net premiums earned from our financial guarantee contracts for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Net premiums earned:			
Non-U.S.	\$ 17	\$ 18	-6%
U.S.	6	7	-14%
Total net premiums earned	\$ 23	\$ 25	-8%
VIE premiums eliminated in consolidation	\$ 1	\$ 3	-67%

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Net premiums earned represent gross premiums earned net of premiums ceded to reinsurers, and include scheduled premium earnings and premium earnings from refunded issues. Net premiums earned decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to a decrease in scheduled premiums earned from the maturity and early settlement of insured transactions with no writings of new insurance policies.

NET CHANGE IN FAIR VALUE OF INSURED DERIVATIVES The Company no longer insures new credit derivative contracts. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, net premiums and fees earned on insured derivatives were \$1 million and \$4 million, respectively. Premiums earned related to insured credit derivatives will decrease over time as a result of settlements prior to maturity and scheduled amortizations. For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, realized losses on insured derivatives resulted from claim payments on commercial mortgage-backed securities (“CMBS”).

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, unrealized losses on insured derivatives were principally the result of the effects of favorable changes in the market’s perception of MBIA Corp.’s nonperformance risk on its derivative liabilities. For the three months ended March 31, 2015, unrealized gains on insured derivatives were primarily the result of refining the credit rating of underlying collateral, partially offset by unfavorable movements in spreads and pricing of collateral.

As of March 31, 2016, the cost of five year CDS referencing MBIA Corp. was 32.80% upfront plus 5% per annum compared with 28.51% upfront plus 5% per annum as of March 31, 2015. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the fair value of MBIA Corp.’s insured CDS liability was \$99 million and \$85 million, respectively. Our mark-to-market on insured credit derivatives uses the most appropriate of the one to ten year CDS cost for each transaction, and those costs ranged from 19.61% upfront plus 5% per annum to 33.43% upfront plus 5% per annum as of March 31, 2016. As of March 31, 2015, those costs ranged from 13.70% upfront plus 5% per annum to 29.26% upfront plus 5% per annum.

As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp. had \$2.9 billion of gross par outstanding on insured credit derivatives compared with \$3.2 billion as of December 31, 2015. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, one insured issue was terminated that totaled \$135 million of gross par outstanding. As of March 31, 2016, nine insured credit derivatives remained outstanding, of which one insured issue with \$1.2 billion of gross par outstanding is scheduled to mature in the second quarter of 2016. Subsequent to March 31, 2016, one insured credit derivative with \$249 million of gross par outstanding was terminated.

NET GAINS (LOSSES) ON FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AT FAIR VALUE AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE Net gains on financial instruments at fair value and foreign exchange increased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to favorable changes from foreign currency revaluation of Chilean Unidad de Fomento denominated premium receivables. This increase was partially offset by unfavorable mark-to-market fluctuations on financial instruments.

REVENUES OF CONSOLIDATED VIEs For the three months ended March 31, 2016, total revenues of consolidated VIEs were \$14 million compared with total revenues of \$2 million for the same period of 2015. This increase was primarily due to higher asset prices on net assets of consolidated VIEs and an increase in net investment income of certain consolidated VIEs. We elected to record at fair value certain instruments that are consolidated under accounting guidance for consolidation of VIEs, and as such, changes in fair value are reflected in earnings.

LOSS AND LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES MBIA’s insured portfolio management group within our international and structured finance insurance business is responsible for monitoring international and structured finance insured obligations. The level and frequency of monitoring of any insured obligation depends on the type, size, rating and our assessed performance of the insured issue.

Refer to “Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a description of the Company’s loss reserving policy and additional information related to its loss reserves.

Summary of Financial Guarantee Insurance Losses and LAE

The following table presents information about our financial guarantee insurance losses and LAE recorded in accordance with GAAP for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Losses and LAE related to expected payments	\$ 7	\$ (20)	-135%
Recoveries of expected payments	7	20	-65%
Gross losses incurred	14	-	n/m
Reinsurance	(1)	-	n/m
Losses and loss adjustment expenses	\$ 13	\$ -	n/m

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

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For the three months ended March 31, 2016, losses and LAE primarily related to increases in expected payments on insured first-lien RMBS transactions and decreases in projected collections from excess spread within insured second-lien RMBS securitizations. These were partially offset by decreases in expected payments on CDOs.

For the three months ended March 31, 2015, losses and LAE primarily related to decreases in expected payments and decreases in recoveries of expected payments related to an international road transaction.

Excess spread is generated by performing loans within insured RMBS securitizations and is the difference between interest inflows on mortgage loan collateral and interest outflows on the insured notes. The amount of excess spread depends on the future loss trends (which include future delinquency trends, average time to charge-off delinquent loans and the availability of pool mortgage insurance), the future spread between prime and the London Interbank Offered Rate (“LIBOR”) interest rates, and borrower refinancing behavior which results in voluntary prepayments. Minor deviations in loss trends and voluntary prepayments may substantially impact the amounts we collect from excess spread. Excess spread may also include estimated recoverables from mortgage insurance contracts and subsequent recoveries on charged-off loans associated with the insured RMBS securitizations.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, losses and LAE incurred included the elimination of a \$25 million expense as a result of the consolidation of VIEs. The \$25 million expense included gross losses related to expected payments of \$36 million, partially offset by gross recoveries of expected payments of \$11 million. For the three months ended March 31, 2015, losses and LAE incurred included the elimination of a \$33 million expense as a result of the consolidation of VIEs. The \$33 million expense included gross losses related to expected payments of \$36 million, partially offset by gross recoveries of expected payments of \$3 million.

The Company’s insurance loss recoverable represents expected potential recoveries of paid claims based on probability-weighted net cash inflows discounted at applicable risk-free rates as of the measurement date. The loss and LAE reserves represent the present value of loss payments we expect to make on the insured transactions, net of any estimated recoveries, at applicable risk-free rates as of the measurement date. As payments are made, a portion of those expected future receipts is recorded within “Insurance loss recoverable” on our consolidated balance sheets. Virtually all of the payments that we make go to reduce the insured principal balances of the securitizations. The following table presents information about our insurance loss recoverable and reserves as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

In millions	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	Percent Change
Assets:			
Insurance loss recoverable	\$ 406	\$ 573	-29%
Reinsurance recoverable on paid and unpaid losses ⁽¹⁾	5	5	-%
Liabilities:			
Gross loss and LAE reserves	543	550	-1%
Expected recoveries on unpaid losses	(70)	(79)	-11%
Loss and LAE reserves	<u>\$ 473</u>	<u>\$ 471</u>	<u>-%</u>

(1) - Reported within “Other assets” on our consolidated balance sheets.

As of March 31, 2016, loss and LAE reserves on our remaining insured first and second-lien RMBS exposure was \$353 million, after eliminating \$23 million related to our consolidated VIEs.

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Included in MBIA Corp.’s loss and LAE reserves are estimated future claims payments for insured obligations for which a payment default has occurred and MBIA Corp. has already paid a claim and for insured obligations where a payment default has not yet occurred. The following table includes LAE reserves, but excludes par outstanding, as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 for two issues that had no expected future claim payments or par outstanding, but for which MBIA Corp. was obligated to pay LAE incurred in prior periods. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, loss and LAE reserves comprised the following:

\$ in millions	Number of Issues ⁽¹⁾		Loss and LAE Reserve		Par Outstanding	
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Gross of reinsurance:						
Issues with defaults	107	105	\$ 363	\$ 336	\$ 3,812	\$ 3,925
Issues without defaults	5	6	110	135	982	1,019
Total gross of reinsurance	112	111	\$ 473	\$ 471	\$ 4,794	\$ 4,944

(1) - An “issue” represents the aggregate of financial guarantee policies that share the same revenue source for purposes of making debt service payments.

POLICY ACQUISITION COSTS AND OPERATING EXPENSES International and structured finance insurance segment expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are presented in the following table:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Gross expenses	\$ 12	\$ 13	-8%
Amortization of deferred acquisition costs	\$ 15	\$ 21	-29%
Operating	11	13	-15%
Total insurance operating expenses	\$ 26	\$ 34	-24%

Gross expenses represent total insurance expenses before the deferral of any policy acquisition costs. Gross expenses decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to decreases in legal costs, office related expenses and consulting fees. Operating expenses decreased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 due to decreases in gross expenses.

The decrease in the amortization of deferred acquisition costs for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 was due to higher refunding activity in 2015. We did not defer a material amount of policy acquisition costs during the first quarters of 2016 or 2015. Policy acquisition costs in these periods were primarily related to commissions and premium taxes on installment policies written in prior periods.

INSURED PORTFOLIO EXPOSURE The credit quality of our international and structured finance insured portfolio is assessed in the same manner as our U.S. public finance insured portfolio. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, 23% and 22%, respectively, of our international and structured finance insured portfolio, was rated below investment grade, before giving effect to MBIA’s guarantees, based on MBIA’s internal ratings, which are generally more current than the underlying ratings provided by S&P and Moody’s for this subset of our insured portfolio.

European Sovereign Debt Exposure

Uncertainties regarding European sovereign debt have affected the global economy. Outside the U.S., financial guarantee insurance has been used by issuers of sovereign-related and sub-sovereign bonds, structured finance securities, utilities and providers of public purpose projects, among others. MBIA does not insure any direct European sovereign debt. However, we do insure both structured finance and public finance obligations in select international markets. MBIA’s indirect European sovereign insured debt exposure totaled \$6.2 billion as of March 31, 2016 and included obligations of sovereign-related and sub-sovereign issuers, such as regions, departments, and sovereign-owned and private entities that are supported by a sovereign state, region or department. Sovereign-related includes Private Finance Initiative transactions that involve private entities that receive contractual payments for providing services to public sector entities. Of the \$6.2 billion of insured gross par outstanding, \$503 million and \$207 million were related to Spain and Ireland, respectively. The remaining \$5.5 billion was related to the United Kingdom (“UK”). We do not insure any sovereign or sub-sovereign debt from Greece. We closely monitor our existing insured European portfolios on an ongoing basis. We consider country risk, including economic and political factors, the type and quality of local regulatory oversight, the strength of the legal framework in each country and the stability of the local institutional framework. We also monitor local accounting, regulatory and legal requirements, local financial market developments, the impact of exchange rates and local demand dynamics. A default by one or more sovereign issuers could have an adverse effect on our insured debt exposures. The Company has an immaterial amount of European sovereign debt holdings.

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International and Structured Finance Insurance Selected Portfolio Exposures

The following is a summary of selected significant exposures within the insured portfolio of our international and structured finance insurance segment. Many of these sectors are and have been considered volatile over the past several years. We may experience considerable incurred losses and future expected payments in certain of these sectors. There can be no assurance that the loss reserves described below will be sufficient or that we will not experience losses on transactions on which we currently have no loss reserves, in particular if the economy deteriorates.

Residential Mortgage Exposure

MBIA Corp. insures mortgage-backed securities (“MBS”) backed by residential mortgage loans, including second-lien RMBS transactions (revolving home equity lines of credit (“HELOC”) loans and closed-end second (“CES”) mortgages). MBIA Corp. also insures MBS backed by first-lien alternative A-paper (“Alt-A”) and subprime mortgage loans directly through RMBS securitizations. There was considerable stress and deterioration in the mortgage market since 2008 reflected by heightened delinquencies and losses, particularly related to Alt-A and subprime mortgage loans originated during 2005, 2006 and 2007.

The following table presents the gross par outstanding of MBIA Corp.’s total direct RMBS insured exposure as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. Amounts include the gross par outstanding related to transactions that the Company consolidates under accounting guidance for VIEs.

In millions	Gross Par Outstanding as of		Percent Change
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	
Collateral Type			
HELOC Second-lien	\$ 1,763	\$ 1,861	-5%
CES Second-lien	1,685	1,768	-5%
Alt-A First-lien ⁽¹⁾	1,557	1,578	-1%
Subprime First-lien	694	724	-4%
Prime First-lien	93	99	-6%
Total	<u>\$ 5,792</u>	<u>\$ 6,030</u>	<u>-4%</u>

(1) - Includes international exposure of \$455 million and \$449 million as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

Collateralized Debt Obligations and Related Instruments

As part of our international and structured finance insurance activities, MBIA Corp. typically provided guarantees on senior and, in a limited number of cases, mezzanine tranches of CDOs, as well as protection on structured CMBS pools and corporate securities, and CDS referencing such securities. The following discussion, including reported amounts and percentages, includes insured CDO transactions consolidated by the Company as VIEs.

As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp.’s \$5.3 billion CDO portfolio represented 14% of its total insured gross par outstanding of \$38.5 billion. As of December 31, 2015, MBIA Corp.’s \$6.0 billion CDO portfolio represented 14% of its total insured gross par outstanding of \$41.6 billion. In addition to the below table, MBIA Corp. insures approximately \$438 million in commercial real estate (“CRE”) loan pools, comprising both European and domestic assets. The distribution of our insured CDO and related instruments portfolio by collateral type is presented in the following table:

In millions	Gross Par Outstanding as of		Percent Change
	March 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	
Collateral Type			
Multi-sector CDOs	\$ 502 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 688	-27%
Investment grade corporate CDOs	1,200	1,200	-%
High yield corporate CDOs	2,143	2,420	-11%
Structured CMBS pools	798	1,002	-20%
CRE CDOs	667	698	-4%
Total	<u>\$ 5,310</u>	<u>\$ 6,008</u>	<u>-12%</u>

(1) - Excludes \$28 million of gross par outstanding where MBIA’s insured exposure has been fully offset by way of loss remediation transactions.

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Loss Remediation Transactions

We may seek to purchase, directly or indirectly, obligations guaranteed by MBIA or seek to commute policies. The amount of insurance exposure reduced, if any, and the nature of any such actions will depend on market conditions, pricing levels from time to time, and other considerations. In some cases, these activities may result in a reduction of loss reserves, but in all cases they are intended to limit our ultimate losses and reduce the future volatility in loss development on the related policies. Our ability to purchase guaranteed obligations and to commute policies will depend on management’s assessment of available liquidity.

U.S. Public Finance and International and Structured Finance Reinsurance

Reinsurance enables the Company to cede exposure for purposes of syndicating risk. When a reinsurer is downgraded by one or more of the rating agencies, less capital credit is given to MBIA under rating agency models and the overall value of the reinsurance to MBIA is reduced. The Company generally retains the right to reassume the business ceded to reinsurers under certain circumstances, including a reinsurer’s rating downgrade below specified thresholds. The following table presents information about our reinsurance agreements as of March 31, 2016 for our U.S. public finance and international and structured finance insurance operations:

In millions					
Reinsurers	Standard & Poor’s Rating (Status)	Moody’s Rating (Status)	Ceded Par Outstanding	Letters of Credit/Trust Accounts	Reinsurance Recoverable ⁽¹⁾
Assured Guaranty Re Ltd.	AA (Stable Outlook)	WR ⁽²⁾	\$ 3,235	\$ 31	\$ -
Assured Guaranty Corp.	AA (Stable Outlook)	A3 (Negative Outlook)	1,633	-	6
Overseas Private Investment Corporation	AA+ (Stable Outlook)	Aaa (Stable Outlook)	264	-	-
Others	A- or above	A2 or above	114	3	-
Total			<u>\$ 5,246</u>	<u>\$ 34</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>

(1) - Total reinsurance recoverable is primarily recoverables on unpaid losses.
(2) - Represents a withdrawal of ratings.

MBIA requires certain unauthorized reinsurers to maintain bank letters of credit or establish trust accounts to cover liabilities ceded to such reinsurers under reinsurance contracts. The Company remains liable on a primary basis for all reinsured risk. Based on MBIA’s assessment of the credit risk of its reinsurers and expected claims under the reinsurance agreements, MBIA believes that its reinsurers remain capable of meeting their obligations, although there can be no assurance of such in the future.

As of March 31, 2016, the aggregate amount of insured par outstanding ceded by MBIA to reinsurers under reinsurance agreements was \$5.2 billion compared with \$5.3 billion as of December 31, 2015. As of March 31, 2016, \$4.3 billion of the ceded par outstanding was ceded from our U.S. public finance insurance segment and \$907 million was ceded from our international and structured finance insurance segment. Under National’s reinsurance agreement with MBIA Corp., if a reinsurer of MBIA Corp. is unable to pay claims ceded by MBIA Corp. on U.S. public finance exposure, National will assume liability for such ceded claim payments.

Taxes

Provision for Income Taxes

The Company’s income taxes and the related effective tax rates for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 are presented in the following table:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ (101)	\$ 113
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$ (23)	\$ 44
Effective tax rate	22.8%	38.9%

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, our effective tax rate applied to our income (loss) before income taxes was lower than the U.S. statutory tax rate of 35% primarily due to a foreign tax credit adjustment and the fluctuation of the value of nondeductible warrants issued by the Company.

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For the three months ended March 31, 2015, our effective tax rate applied to our income (loss) before income taxes was higher than the U.S. statutory tax rate of 35% primarily due to the fluctuation of the value of nondeductible warrants issued by the Company.

The Company is party to a tax allocation agreement with members of its holding company system effective January 1, 1987. The agreement was amended and restated effective September 8, 2011 to change the method of calculating each domestic insurer’s tax liability to the method permitted by paragraph 3 (a) of Department Circular Letter #33 (1979). At that time, the agreement was submitted to the NYSDFS for review and non-disapproval pursuant to Section 1505 of the New York Insurance Law (“NYIL”).

Refer to “Note 9: Income Taxes” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a further discussion of income taxes, including any valuation allowance against the Company’s deferred tax assets and its accounting for tax uncertainties.

CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company manages its capital resources to minimize its cost of capital while maintaining appropriate claims-paying resources (“CPR”) for National and MBIA Corp. The Company’s capital resources consist of total shareholders’ equity, total debt issued by MBIA Inc. for general corporate purposes, and surplus notes issued by MBIA Corp. Total capital resources were \$5.1 billion and \$5.2 billion as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. MBIA Inc. uses its capital resources to support the business activities of its subsidiaries. As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Inc.’s investments in subsidiaries totaled \$4.1 billion.

In addition, MBIA Inc. also supports the MTN and investment agreement obligations issued by the Company. We seek to maintain sufficient liquidity and capital resources to meet the Company’s general corporate needs and debt service. Based on MBIA Inc.’s debt service requirements and expected operating expenses, we expect that MBIA Inc. will have sufficient cash to satisfy its debt obligations and its general corporate needs over time from distributions from its operating subsidiaries; however, there can be no assurance that MBIA Inc. will have sufficient cash in the event of unanticipated operating expenses. In addition, the Company may also consider raising third-party capital. For further information, see “Strategic Plan Related and Other Risk Factors” in Part I, Item 1A, “Risk Factors” included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and “Liquidity—MBIA Inc. Liquidity” section for additional information about MBIA Inc.’s liquidity.

Securities Repurchases

Repurchases of debt and common stock may be made from time to time in the open market or in private transactions as permitted by securities laws and other legal requirements. We may also choose to redeem debt obligations where permitted by the relevant agreements. MBIA Inc. or its subsidiaries may repurchase or redeem outstanding common shares of MBIA Inc. and outstanding debt obligations at prices that we deem to be economically advantageous.

Equity securities

The Company’s share repurchases that were authorized under share repurchase programs, are presented in the following table:

In millions except per share amounts	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2016	2015
Number of shares repurchased	14.9	8.6
Average price paid per share	\$ 6.30	\$ 8.83
Remaining authorization as of March 31	\$ 100	\$ 113

On February 23, 2016, the Company’s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase by the Company or its subsidiaries of up to \$100 million of its outstanding shares under a new share repurchase authorization. As of May 5, 2016, we have not repurchased any shares under this new share repurchase authorization.

Insurance Statutory Capital

National and MBIA Insurance Corporation are incorporated and licensed in, and are subject to primary insurance regulation and supervision by, the State of New York. MBIA UK is authorized by the Prudential Regulation Authority (“PRA”) and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (“FCA”) and the PRA in the UK. MBIA Mexico is regulated by the Comisión Nacional de Seguros y Fianzas in Mexico. National and MBIA Insurance Corporation each are required to file detailed annual financial statements, as well as interim financial statements, with the NYSDFS and similar supervisory agencies in each of the other jurisdictions in which it is licensed. These financial statements are prepared in accordance with New York State and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners’ statements of U.S. STAT and assist our regulators in evaluating minimum standards of solvency, including minimum capital requirements, and business conduct. MBIA UK is required to file quarterly and annual regulatory returns with the PRA and the FCA.

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National

Capital and Surplus

National reported total statutory capital of \$3.4 billion as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. As of March 31, 2016, statutory capital comprised \$2.6 billion of policyholders’ surplus and \$879 million of contingency reserves. National had statutory net income of \$36 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016. As of March 31, 2016, National’s unassigned surplus was \$2.0 billion.

Under U.S. STAT and NYIL, National’s purchase of 8 million shares of MBIA Inc. common stock in the second quarter of 2015 is recorded as an investment and measured at fair value. However, the value of the investment that can be admitted is subject to limitation. As of March 31, 2016, the fair value and admitted value of the MBIA Inc. common shares owned by National were \$48 million and \$16 million, respectively.

In order to maintain its New York State financial guarantee insurance license, National is required to maintain a minimum of \$65 million of policyholders’ surplus. National is also required to maintain contingency reserves to provide protection to policyholders in the event of extreme losses in adverse economic events. Refer to the following “MBIA Corp.—Capital and Surplus” section for additional information about contingency reserves under the NYIL. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, National was in compliance with its aggregate and single risk limits.

NYIL regulates the payment of dividends by financial guarantee insurance companies and provides that such companies may not declare or distribute dividends except out of statutory earned surplus. Under NYIL, the sum of (i) the amount of dividends declared or distributed during the preceding 12-month period and (ii) the dividend to be declared may not exceed the lesser of (a) 10% of policyholders’ surplus, as reported in the latest statutory financial statements or (b) 100% of adjusted net investment income for such 12-month period (the net investment income for such 12-month period plus the excess, if any, of net investment income over dividends declared or distributed during the two-year period preceding such 12-month period), unless the Superintendent of the NYSDFS approves a greater dividend distribution based upon a finding that the insurer will retain sufficient surplus to support its obligations.

National had positive earned surplus as of March 31, 2016, which provides National with dividend capacity. For the foreseeable future, we expect the as of right declared and paid dividend amounts from National to be limited to prior year net investment income and similar in amount to the 2015 dividend payment.

Claims-Paying Resources (Statutory Basis)

CPR is a key measure of the resources available to National to pay claims under its insurance policies. CPR consists of total financial resources and reserves calculated on a statutory basis. CPR has been a common measure used by financial guarantee insurance companies to report and compare resources and continues to be used by MBIA’s management to evaluate changes in such resources. We have provided CPR to allow investors and analysts to evaluate National using the same measure that MBIA’s management uses to evaluate National’s resources to pay claims under its insurance policies. There is no directly comparable GAAP measure. Our calculation of CPR may differ from the calculation of CPR reported by other companies.

National’s CPR and components thereto, as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 are presented in the following table:

In millions	As of March 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2015
Policyholders’ surplus	\$ 2,550	\$ 2,478
Contingency reserves	879	910
Statutory capital	3,429	3,388
Unearned premium reserve	982	1,042
Present value of installment premiums ⁽¹⁾	197	197
Premium resources ⁽²⁾	1,179	1,239
Net loss and LAE reserves ⁽¹⁾	1	(30)
Salvage reserves	101	102
Gross loss and LAE reserves	102	72
Total claims-paying resources	\$ 4,710	\$ 4,699

(1) - Calculated using a discount rate of 3.04% as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.
(2) - Includes financial guarantee and insured credit derivative related premiums.

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MBIA Insurance Corporation

Capital and Surplus

MBIA Insurance Corporation reported total statutory capital of \$844 million as of March 31, 2016 compared with \$885 million as of December 31, 2015. As of March 31, 2016, statutory capital comprised \$571 million of policyholders' surplus and \$273 million of contingency reserves. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, MBIA Insurance Corporation had a statutory net loss of \$55 million. MBIA Insurance Corporation's policyholders' surplus as of March 31, 2016 included a negative unassigned surplus of \$1.5 billion. As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Insurance Corporation's policyholders' surplus was negatively impacted by \$90 million, as it was not permitted to treat the portion of its investment in subsidiaries in excess of 60% of net admitted assets less the par value of common and preferred stock and liabilities as an admitted asset, as required under NYIL. This overage was primarily caused by a decrease in MBIA Insurance Corporation's policyholders' surplus due to insured losses in the past. MBIA Insurance Corporation's policyholders' surplus may be further negatively impacted if future additional insured losses are incurred and the percentage of its assets invested in subsidiaries continues to increase.

As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Insurance Corporation recognized estimated recoveries of \$400 million, net of reinsurance on a statutory basis related to put-backs of ineligible mortgage loans in its insured transactions and \$409 million related to excess spread recoveries on second-lien RMBS, net of reinsurance. These excess spread recoveries represented 48% of MBIA Insurance Corporation's statutory capital as of March 31, 2016. There can be no assurance that we will be successful or that we will not be delayed in realizing these recoveries. Refer to “Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information about these recoveries.

Under NYIL, MBIA Insurance Corporation is also required to establish a contingency reserve to provide protection to policyholders in the event of extreme losses in adverse economic events. The amount of the reserve is based on the percentage of principal insured or premiums earned, depending on the type of obligation (net of collateral, reinsurance, refunding, refinancings and certain insured securities). Reductions in the contingency reserve may be recognized based on excessive reserves and under certain stipulated conditions, subject to the approval of the Superintendent of the NYSDFS. As a result of regulatory approved reductions, MBIA Insurance Corporation's contingency reserves of \$273 million as of March 31, 2016 represented reserves on 39 of the 337 outstanding credits insured by MBIA Insurance Corporation.

In order to maintain its New York State financial guarantee insurance license, MBIA Insurance Corporation is required to maintain a minimum of \$65 million of policyholders' surplus. Under NYIL, MBIA Insurance Corporation is required to invest its minimum surplus and contingency reserves and 50% of its loss reserves and unearned premium reserves in certain qualifying assets. As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Insurance Corporation maintained its minimum requirement of policyholders' surplus and had enough qualifying assets to support its contingency reserves and 50% of its loss reserves and unearned premium reserves. As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, MBIA Insurance Corporation was in compliance with its aggregate risk limits under the NYIL, but was not in compliance with certain of its single risk limits. If new overages occur with respect to its single risk limits, MBIA Insurance Corporation will report them to the NYSDFS. If MBIA Insurance Corporation is not in compliance with its aggregate risk and its single risk limits, the NYSDFS may prevent MBIA Insurance Corporation from transacting any new financial guarantee insurance business until it no longer exceeds the limitations.

In connection with MBIA Insurance Corporation obtaining approval from the NYSDFS to release excessive contingency reserves in previous periods, MBIA Insurance Corporation agreed that it would not pay any dividends without prior approval from the NYSDFS. Due to its significant negative earned surplus, MBIA Insurance Corporation has not had the statutory capacity to pay dividends since December 31, 2009. Based on estimated future income, MBIA Insurance Corporation is not expected to have any statutory capacity to pay any dividends for the foreseeable future.

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As of March 31, 2016, the par amount outstanding of MBIA Insurance Corporation’s 14% Fixed-to-Floating Rate Surplus Notes due January 15, 2033 (the “Surplus Notes”) was \$953 million. Section 1307 of the Insurance Law and the Fiscal Agency Agreement governing the surplus notes (the “Fiscal Agency Agreement”), which was approved as it relates to Section 1307 by the NYSDFS in connection with the issuance of the Surplus Notes, each impose restrictions on the payments of principal and interest (or the redemption price or any make-whole premium) on the Surplus Notes (“Surplus Note Payments”). Section 1307 of the Insurance Law provides that any payments on surplus notes issued by an insurer “shall be repaid only out of free and divisible surplus of such insurer with the approval of the Superintendent whenever, in his/her judgment, the financial condition of such insurer warrants.” The Superintendent has broad discretion in determining whether to allow us to make Surplus Note Payments. We are not aware of any guidelines or interpretations that govern the exercise of the Superintendent’s discretion under Section 1307 in determining whether the financial condition of an insurer warrants the making of such payments. The Fiscal Agency Agreement provides that (a) Surplus Note Payments may be made only with the prior approval of the Superintendent, whenever, in his/her judgment, the financial condition of MBIA Insurance Corporation warrants, and (b) any such Surplus Note Payments may only be made to the extent MBIA Insurance Corporation has sufficient “Eligible Surplus” to make such payments. The Fiscal Agency Agreement defines “Eligible Surplus” as MBIA Insurance Corporation “surplus as regards policyholders,” less the sum of its “common capital stock” and “preferred capital stock”, as shown on its annual and quarterly statements filed with state insurance regulatory authorities. While the insurance law does not explicitly set forth the calculation of “free and divisible surplus”, MBIA believes that the calculation of Eligible Surplus, as set forth in the Fiscal Agency Agreement and as accepted by the NYSDFS, is the appropriate calculation of “free and divisible surplus.” MBIA Insurance Corporation’s “free and divisible surplus,” determined as set forth above, was \$280 million as of March 31, 2016 representing a decrease of \$38 million from December 31, 2015. The decrease in MBIA Insurance Corporation’s “free and divisible surplus” during the first quarter of 2016 primarily resulted from a net loss of \$55 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016. MBIA Insurance Corporation is required to seek the Superintendent’s approval to make payments of interest and principal when scheduled on the Surplus Notes. There is no assurance the Superintendent will approve Surplus Note Payments. Notwithstanding the sufficiency of MBIA Insurance Corporation’s Eligible Surplus available for the payment of Surplus Note Payments, the NYSDFS may deny approval of any Surplus Note Payments if the Superintendent concludes that MBIA Insurance Corporation’s financial condition does not warrant such approval.

The NYSDFS has not approved MBIA Insurance Corporation’s requests to make interest payments on the Surplus Notes since, and including, the January 15, 2013 interest payment. The NYSDFS has cited both MBIA Insurance Corporation’s liquidity and financial condition as well as the availability of “free and divisible surplus” as the basis for such non-approvals. As of April 15, 2016, the scheduled interest payment date, there was \$425 million of unpaid interest on the par amount outstanding of \$953 million of the Surplus Notes. The unpaid interest on the Surplus Notes will become due on the first business day on or after which MBIA Insurance Corporation obtains approval to pay some or all of such unpaid interest. No interest has been accrued or will accrue on the deferred interest.

Claims-Paying Resources (Statutory Basis)

CPR is a key measure of the resources available to MBIA Corp. to pay claims under its insurance policies. CPR consists of total financial resources and reserves calculated on a statutory basis. CPR has been a common measure used by financial guarantee insurance companies to report and compare resources, and continues to be used by MBIA’s management to evaluate changes in such resources. We have provided CPR to allow investors and analysts to evaluate MBIA Corp., using the same measure that MBIA’s management uses to evaluate MBIA Corp.’s resources to pay claims under its insurance policies. There is no directly comparable GAAP measure. Our calculation of CPR may differ from the calculation of CPR reported by other companies.

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MBIA Corp.’s CPR and components thereto, as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 are presented in the following table:

In millions	As of March 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2015
Policyholders’ surplus	\$ 571	\$ 609
Contingency reserves	273	276
Statutory capital	844	885
Unearned premium reserve	356	356
Present value of installment premiums ⁽¹⁾ ⁽⁴⁾	496	520
Premium resources ⁽²⁾	852	876
Net loss and LAE reserves ⁽¹⁾	(289)	(332)
Salvage reserves ⁽³⁾	972	994
Gross loss and LAE reserves	683	662
Total claims-paying resources	\$ 2,379	\$ 2,423

- (1) - Calculated using a discount rate of 5.18% as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.
- (2) - Includes financial guarantee and insured credit derivative related premiums.
- (3) - This amount primarily consists of expected recoveries related to the Company’s excess spread and put-backs.
- (4) - Based on the Company’s estimate of the remaining life for its insured exposures.

LIQUIDITY

We use a liquidity risk management framework, the primary objective of which is to match liquidity resources to needs. We monitor our cash and liquid asset resources using daily cash forecasting and stress-scenario testing. Members of MBIA’s senior management meet regularly to review liquidity metrics, discuss contingency plans and establish target liquidity levels. We evaluate and manage liquidity on a legal-entity basis to take into account the legal, regulatory and other limitations on available liquidity resources within the enterprise. The following is a discussion of our liquidity resources and requirements for our holding company and our insurance subsidiaries.

National Liquidity

The primary sources of cash within National are:

- principal and interest receipts on assets held in its investment portfolio; and
- premiums.

The primary uses of cash by National are:

- payments of operating expenses and taxes;
- loss payments on insured transactions; and
- payments of dividends.

The insurance policies issued or reinsured by National provide unconditional and irrevocable guarantees of payments of the principal of, and interest or other amounts owing on, insured obligations when due. In the event of a default in payment of principal, interest or other insured amounts by an issuer, National generally promises to make funds available in the insured amount within one to three business days following notification. In some cases, the amount due can be substantial, particularly if the default occurs on a transaction to which National has a large notional exposure or on a transaction structured with large, bullet-type principal maturities. The fact that the U.S. public finance insurance segment’s financial guarantee contracts generally cannot be accelerated by a party other than the insurer helps to mitigate liquidity risk in this segment.

National maintains a simultaneous repurchase and reverse repurchase facility (“Asset Swap”) with MBIA Inc. which provides MBIA Inc. with eligible assets to pledge under investment agreements and derivative contracts. As of March 31, 2016, the notional amount used under each of these agreements was \$130 million and the fair value of collateral pledged by National and MBIA Inc. under these agreements was \$134 million and \$142 million, respectively. The net average interest rate on these transactions was 0.37% and 0.24% for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

As of March 31, 2016, National held cash and short-term investments of \$376 million, of which \$344 million was highly liquid and comprised highly rated commercial paper, money market funds and municipal, U.S. agency and corporate bonds. As of December 31, 2015, National held cash and short-term investments of \$378 million, of which \$336 million was highly liquid and comprised commercial paper, money market funds, and highly rated municipal, U.S. agency and corporate bonds.

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Corporate Liquidity

The primary sources of cash available to MBIA Inc. to meet its liquidity needs are:

- available cash and liquid assets not subject to collateral posting requirements;
- dividends from subsidiaries;
- payments under tax sharing agreements from subsidiaries;
- principal and interest receipts on assets held in its investment portfolio; and
- access to capital markets.

The primary uses of cash by MBIA Inc. are:

- servicing outstanding corporate debt obligations, MTNs and investment agreements;
- collateral requirements under investment agreements, the Asset Swap and derivative arrangements;
- payments related to interest rate swaps;
- payments of operating expenses; and
- debt buybacks and share repurchases.

Based on our projections of National’s and MBIA Corp.’s future earnings and losses, we expect that for the foreseeable future National will be the primary source of dividends and tax sharing agreement payments to MBIA Inc. There can be no assurance as to the amount and timing of any such dividends or payments under the tax sharing agreement. Also for the foreseeable future, we expect the declared and paid dividend amounts from National to be limited to prior year net investment income and similar in amount to the 2015 dividend payment. Refer to the “Capital Resources—Insurance Statutory Capital” section for additional information on payments of dividends. In addition, we do not expect MBIA Inc. to receive distributions from MBIA Corp. for the foreseeable future.

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, \$105 million was released to MBIA Inc. under the MBIA group tax sharing agreement and related escrow agreement. This amount represented National's liability under the tax sharing agreement for the 2013 tax year, which was released from escrow pursuant to the terms under the tax sharing agreement following the expiration of National's two-year net operating loss carry-back period under U.S. tax rules. As of March 31, 2016, \$218 million was held in escrow for the 2014 through 2015 tax years. Based on our projections of National's taxable income and the market performance of the Tax Escrow Account, we expect to release up to \$94 million from the Tax Escrow Account related to the 2014 tax year in January of 2017. There can be no assurance that payments under the Tax Escrow Account from subsidiaries will be released to MBIA Inc.

Currently, the majority of the cash and securities of MBIA Inc. is pledged against investment agreement liabilities, the Asset Swap and derivatives, which limits its ability to raise liquidity through asset sales. If the market value or rating eligibility of the assets which are pledged against MBIA Inc.’s obligations were to decline, we would be required to pledge additional eligible assets in order to meet minimum required collateral amounts against these liabilities. To mitigate these risks, we seek to maintain cash and liquidity resources that we believe will be sufficient to make all payments due on our obligations and to meet other financial requirements, such as posting collateral. Contingent liquidity resources include: (1) sales of invested assets exposed to credit spread stress risk, which may occur at losses; (2) termination and settlement of interest rate swap agreements; and (3) accessing the capital markets. These actions, if taken, are expected to result in either additional liquidity or reduced exposure to adverse credit spread movements. There can be no assurance that these actions will be sufficient to fully mitigate this risk. Information concerning our credit spread sensitivity appears in Part I, Item 3, “Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk.”

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the liquidity positions of MBIA Inc. comprising cash and liquid assets for general corporate purposes, excluding the amounts held in escrow under its tax sharing agreement, were \$371 million and \$416 million, respectively.

MBIA Corp. Liquidity

The primary sources of cash within MBIA Corp. are:

- installment premiums;
- recoveries associated with loss payments; and
- principal and interest receipts on assets held in its investment portfolio.

The primary uses of cash by MBIA Corp. are:

- loss or commutation payments on insured transactions;

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- payments of operating expenses; and
- payments of principal and interest related to its surplus notes, to the extent approved by the NYSDFS. Refer to Capital Resources—Insurance Statutory Capital” for a discussion on the non-approval of requests to the NYSDFS to pay interest on its surplus notes.

Insured transactions that require payment in full of the principal insured at maturity could present liquidity risk for MBIA Corp. as any salvage recoveries from such payments could be recovered over an extended period of time after the payment of the principal amount. MBIA Corp. is generally required to satisfy claims within one to three business days, and as a result seeks to identify potential claims in advance through our monitoring process. While our financial guarantee policies generally cannot be accelerated, thereby helping to mitigate liquidity risk, insurance of CDS and certain other derivative contracts may, in certain circumstances, including the occurrence of certain insolvency or payment defaults, be subject to termination by the counterparty, triggering a claim for the fair value of the contract. In order to monitor liquidity risk and maintain appropriate liquidity resources, we use the same methodology as we use to monitor credit quality and losses within our insured portfolio, including stress scenarios. Refer to “Note 5: Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense Reserves” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of our loss process.

MBIA Corp. has recorded expected excess spread recoveries of \$465 million as of March 31, 2016 associated with insured second-lien RMBS issues, including recoveries related to consolidated VIEs. MBIA Corp. has also recorded expected recoveries related to its claims against Credit Suisse related to ineligible mortgage loans included in an MBIA Corp. insured RMBS transaction. There can be no assurance that it will be successful or not be delayed in realizing these recoveries. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp. collected \$20 million of excess spread recoveries related to insured second-lien RMBS issues. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, recoveries exceeded paid claims and LAE on second-lien RMBS issues by \$8 million.

Over the last several years, the liquidity position of MBIA Corp. has been stressed by payments related to: RMBS exposures, both first and second-lien; CMBS exposures; commutations of insured transactions that reduces exposure and potential loss volatility; and a high yield corporate CDO exposure. Certain MBIA Corp. insured transactions, including the Zohar II CDO previously discussed, have near term substantial amounts due at maturity. Depending on the amount of actual future claims made to MBIA Corp., including those that could be made on the Zohar II transaction, and the amount of future cash inflows received by MBIA Corp., in particular excess spread and put-back recoveries, MBIA Corp. may not have sufficient liquid assets to pay its claims when due. In anticipation of that contingency, MBIA Corp may seek to improve liquidity through financing and other transactions; however, there can be no assurance that we will be successful in generating sufficient cash to meet our obligations. As noted above, unless the Zohar II transaction is able to pay down a substantial amount of the insured exposure at maturity, or if MBIA Corp. is unable to reach a restructuring agreement or to raise sufficient liquidity, MBIA Corp. may ultimately have insufficient resources to continue to pay claims. Such failure could cause the NYSDFS to put MBIA Insurance Corporation into a rehabilitation or liquidation proceeding and/or to order MBIA Insurance Corporation to cease paying any claims under its policies. Given the separation of MBIA Inc. and MBIA Corp. as distinct legal entities, the absence of any material intercompany lending agreements or cross defaults between the entities, and the lack of reliance by MBIA Inc. on MBIA Corp. for the receipt of dividends, we do not believe that a rehabilitation or liquidation proceeding of MBIA Insurance Corporation by the NYSDFS would have any significant long-term liquidity impact on MBIA Inc. or result in a liquidation or similar proceeding of MBIA UK or MBIA Mexico.

As of March 31, 2016, MBIA Corp. held cash and investments of \$1.0 billion, of which \$278 million comprised cash and highly liquid assets that were immediately available to MBIA Insurance Corporation. Included in the \$1.0 billion was \$644 million of cash and investments held by MBIA Insurance Corporation’s subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2015, MBIA Corp. held cash and investments of \$997 million, of which \$264 million comprised cash and highly liquid assets that were immediately available to MBIA Insurance Corporation. Included in the \$997 million was \$642 million of cash and investments held by MBIA Insurance Corporation’s subsidiaries. Currently, MBIA UK can only pay dividends to MBIA Insurance Corporation with the approval of the PRA; however, there is no certainty as to when such consent would be provided.

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Consolidated Cash Flows

Information about our consolidated cash flows by category is presented on our consolidated statements of cash flows. The following table presents a summary of our consolidated cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015:

In millions	Three Months Ended March 31,		Percent Change
	2016	2015	
Statement of cash flow data:			
Net cash provided (used) by:			
Operating activities	\$ 39	\$ (9)	n/m
Investing activities	1,814	120	n/m
Financing activities	(2,046)	(256)	n/m
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	3	(10)	-130%
Cash and cash equivalents—beginning of period	522	782	-33%
Cash and cash equivalents—end of period	<u>\$ 332</u>	<u>\$ 627</u>	<u>-47%</u>

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

Operating activities

Net cash provided by operating activities increased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to an increase in investment income received of \$23 million and a decrease in interest paid of \$17 million.

Investing activities

Net cash provided by investing activities increased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to an increase in net proceeds from sales, paydowns and maturities of held-to-maturity investments of consolidated VIEs of \$1.8 billion.

Financing activities

Net cash used by financing activities increased for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with the same period of 2015 primarily due to an increase in the principal paydowns of consolidated VIE notes of \$1.8 billion.

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Investments

The following discussion of investments, including references to consolidated investments, excludes investments reported under “Assets of consolidated variable interest entities” on our consolidated balance sheets. Investments of VIEs support the repayment of VIE obligations and are not available to settle obligations of MBIA. Our available-for-sale (“AFS”) investments comprise high-quality fixed-income securities and short-term investments. The following table presents our investment portfolio as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

In millions	As of March 31, 2016	As of December 31, 2015	Percent Change
Available-for-sale investments:			
U.S. public finance insurance			
Amortized cost	\$ 4,234	\$ 4,227	-0%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	8	(70)	-111%
Fair value	4,242	4,157	2%
International and structured finance insurance			
Amortized cost	865	627	38%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	15	7	114%
Fair value	880	634	39%
Corporate			
Amortized cost	1,125	1,306	-14%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	43	23	87%
Fair value	1,168	1,329	-12%
Total available-for-sale investments:			
Amortized cost	6,224	6,160	1%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	66	(40)	n/m
Total available-for-sale investments at fair value	6,290	6,120	3%
Investments carried at fair value:			
U.S. public finance insurance			
Amortized cost	112	112	-0%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	24	21	14%
Fair value	136	133	2%
International and structured finance insurance			
Amortized cost	-	1	-100%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	-	-	-0%
Fair value	-	1	-100%
Corporate			
Amortized cost	75	95	-21%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	2	(2)	n/m
Fair value	77	93	-17%
Total investments carried at fair value:			
Amortized cost	187	208	-10%
Unrealized net gain (loss)	26	19	37%
Total investments carried at fair value	213	227	-6%
Other investments at amortized cost:			
U.S. public finance insurance	3	3	-0%
Consolidated investments at carrying value	\$ 6,506	\$ 6,350	2%

n/m - Percent change not meaningful.

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LIQUIDITY (continued)

The fair value of the Company's investments is based on prices which include quoted prices in active markets and prices based on market-based inputs that are either directly or indirectly observable, as well as prices from dealers in relevant markets. Differences between fair value and amortized cost arise primarily as a result of changes in interest rates and general market credit spreads occurring after a fixed-income security is purchased, although other factors may also influence fair value, including specific credit- related changes, supply and demand forces and other market factors. When the Company holds an AFS investment to maturity, any unrealized gain or loss currently recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the shareholders' equity section of the balance sheet is reversed. As a result, the Company would realize a value substantially equal to amortized cost. However, when investments are sold prior to maturity, the Company will realize any difference between amortized cost and the sale price of an investment as a realized gain or loss within its consolidated statements of operations.

Credit Quality

The credit quality distribution of the Company's AFS fixed-maturity investment portfolios, excluding short-term investments, based on ratings from Moody's as of March 31, 2016 is presented in the following table. Alternate ratings sources, such as S&P or the best estimate of the ratings assigned by the Company, have been used for a small percentage of securities that are not rated by Moody's.

In millions	U.S. Public Finance Insurance		Corporate		International and Structured Finance Insurance		Total	
	Fair Value	% of Fixed-Income Investments	Fair Value	% of Fixed-Income Investments	Fair Value	% of Fixed-Income Investments	Fair Value	% of Fixed-Income Investments
Available-for-sale:								
Aaa	\$ 1,773	45%	\$ 526	60%	\$ 160	30%	\$ 2,459	46%
Aa	1,221	31%	62	7%	266	50%	1,549	29%
A	723	18%	201	23%	77	15%	1,001	19%
Baa	137	4%	57	6%	10	2%	204	4%
Below investment grade	27	1%	16	2%	15	3%	58	1%
Not rated	20	1%	22	2%	-	0%	42	1%
Total	\$ 3,901	100%	\$ 884	100%	\$ 528	100%	\$ 5,313	100%
Short-term investments	338		281		351		970	
Investments carried at fair value	136		77		-		213	
Other investments	6		3		1		10	
Consolidated investments at carrying value	<u>\$ 4,381</u>		<u>\$ 1,245</u>		<u>\$ 880</u>		<u>\$ 6,506</u>	

As of March 31, 2016, the weighted average credit quality of the Company's AFS investment portfolios, excluding short-term and other investments, as presented in the preceding table are as follows:

	U.S. Public Finance Insurance	International and Structured Finance Insurance	Corporate
Weighted average credit quality ratings	Aa	Aa	Aa

Insured Investments

MBIA’s consolidated investment portfolio includes investments that are insured by various financial guarantee insurers (“Insured Investments”), including investments insured by National and MBIA Corp. (“Company-Insured Investments”). As of March 31, 2016, Insured Investments at fair value represented \$449 million or 7% of consolidated investments, of which \$294 million or 5% of consolidated investments were Company-Insured Investments. As of March 31, 2016, based on the actual or estimated underlying ratings of our consolidated investment portfolio, without giving effect to financial guarantees, the weighted average rating of only the Insured Investments in the investment portfolio would be in the Baa range.

In purchasing Insured Investments, the Company's third-party portfolio manager independently assesses the underlying credit quality, structure and liquidity of each investment, in addition to the creditworthiness of the insurer. Insured Investments are diverse by sector, issuer and size of holding. The third-party portfolio manager assigns underlying ratings to Insured Investments without giving effect to financial guarantees based on underlying ratings assigned by Moody’s or S&P, when a rating is not published by Moody’s. When a Moody’s or S&P underlying rating is not available, the underlying rating is based on the portfolio manager’s best estimate of the rating of such investment. A downgrade of a financial guarantee insurer has historically had an adverse effect on the fair value of investments insured by the downgraded financial guarantee insurer. If the Company determines that declines in the fair values of Insured Investments are other-than-temporary, the Company will record a realized loss through earnings.

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The underlying ratings of the Company-Insured Investments as of March 31, 2016 are reflected in the following table. Amounts represent the fair value of such investments including the benefit of the MBIA guarantee. The ratings in the following table are based on ratings from Moody’s. Alternate ratings sources, such as S&P, have been used for a small percentage of securities that are not rated by Moody’s.

In millions	U.S. Public Finance Insurance	Corporate	International and Structured Insurance	Total
<u>Underlying Ratings Scale</u>				
National:				
Aa	\$ -	\$ 32	\$ -	\$ 32
A	127	82	-	209
Total National	<u>\$ 127</u>	<u>\$ 114</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 241</u>
MBIA Corp.:				
Aa	\$ -	\$ 23	-	23
Baa	-	5	-	5
Below investment grade	-	13	12	25
Total MBIA Corp.	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ 53</u>
Total Company-Insured Investments	<u>\$ 127</u>	<u>\$ 155</u>	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ 294</u>

Without giving effect to the National and MBIA Corp. guarantees of the Company-Insured Investments in the consolidated investment portfolio, as of March 31, 2016, based on actual or estimated underlying ratings, the weighted average rating of the consolidated investment portfolio was in the Aa range. The weighted average rating of only the Company-Insured Investments was in the Baa range, and investments rated below investment grade in the Company-Insured Investments were 3% of the total consolidated investment portfolio.

Impaired Investments

As of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, we held impaired AFS investments (investments for which fair value was less than amortized cost) with a fair value of \$1.2 billion and \$2.8 billion, respectively.

We analyze impaired investments within our investment portfolio for OTTI on a quarterly basis. Key factors considered when assessing OTTI include but are not limited to: (a) structural and economic factors among security types that represent our largest exposure to credit impairment losses; (b) the duration and severity of the unrealized losses (i.e., a decline in the market value of a security by 20% or more at the time of the review, or 5% impaired at the time of review with a fair value below amortized cost for a consecutive 12-month period); and (c) the results of various cash flow modeling techniques. Our cash flow analysis considers all sources of cash, including credit enhancement, that support the payment of amounts owed by an issuer of a security. This includes the consideration of cash to be provided by financial guarantors, including National and MBIA Corp., resulting from an actual or potential insurance policy claim.

Refer to “Note 8: Investments” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 for a discussion of our policy for OTTI and our determination of credit loss.

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Debt Obligations

Principal payments due under our debt obligations for the nine months ending December 31, 2016 and each of the subsequent four years ending December 31 and thereafter are presented in the following table. The repayment of principal on our surplus notes is reflected in 2018, which is the next call date. Principal payments under investment agreements are based on scheduled withdrawal dates. All other principal payments are based on contractual maturity dates. Foreign currency denominated liabilities are presented in U.S. dollars using applicable exchange rates as of March 31, 2016, and liabilities issued at a discount reflect principal amounts due at maturity.

In millions	As of March 31, 2016						Total
	Nine Months Ending December 31, 2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Thereafter	
Corporate segment:							
Long-term debt	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 574	\$ 574
Medium-term notes	117	40	58	58	-	1,123	1,396
Investment agreements	27	56	18	7	38	369	515
International and structured finance insurance segment:							
Variable interest entity notes	303	360	374	188	116	1,676	3,017
Surplus notes	-	-	940	-	-	-	940
Total	\$ 447	\$ 456	\$1,390	\$ 253	\$ 154	\$ 3,742	\$6,442

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The Company’s market risk exposures relate to changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates and credit spreads that affect the fair value of its financial instruments, namely investment securities, MTNs, investment agreement liabilities and certain derivative transactions. The Company’s investment portfolio holdings are primarily U.S. dollar-denominated fixed-income securities including municipal bonds, U.S. government bonds, MBS, collateralized mortgage obligations, corporate bonds and ABS. In periods of rising and/or volatile interest rates, foreign exchange rates and credit spreads, profitability could be adversely affected should the Company have to liquidate these securities.

MBIA minimizes its exposure to interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and credit spread movement through active portfolio management to ensure a proper mix of the types of securities held and to stagger the maturities of its fixed-income securities.

Interest Rate Sensitivity

Interest rate sensitivity can be estimated by projecting a hypothetical instantaneous increase or decrease in interest rates. The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value of the Company’s financial instruments as of March 31, 2016 from instantaneous shifts in interest rates:

In millions	Change in Interest Rates					
	300 Basis Point Decrease	200 Basis Point Decrease	100 Basis Point Decrease	100 Basis Point Increase	200 Basis Point Increase	300 Basis Point Increase
Estimated change in fair value	\$ 427	\$ 273	\$ 144	\$ (144)	\$ (281)	\$ (407)

Foreign Exchange Rate Sensitivity

The Company is exposed to foreign exchange rate risk in respect of assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars. In addition to our international insurance business, some of the remaining liabilities included in our corporate segment are denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars. Also, the Company regularly makes investments denominated in foreign currencies. The majority of the Company’s foreign exchange rate risks is with the pound sterling and the euro. Foreign exchange rate sensitivity can be estimated by projecting a hypothetical instantaneous increase or decrease in foreign exchange rates. The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value of the Company’s financial instruments as of March 31, 2016 from instantaneous shifts in foreign exchange rates:

In millions	Change in Foreign Exchange Rates			
	Dollar Weakens		Dollar Strengthens	
	20%	10%	10%	20%
Estimated change in fair value	\$ (5)	\$ (2)	\$ 2	\$ 5

Credit Spread Sensitivity

Credit spread sensitivity can be estimated by projecting a hypothetical instantaneous increase or decrease in credit spreads. The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value of the Company’s financial instruments as of March 31, 2016 from instantaneous shifts in credit spread curves. It was assumed that all credit spreads move by the same amount. It is more likely that the actual changes in credit spreads will vary by security. National’s investment portfolio would generally be expected to experience lower credit spread volatility than other investment portfolios since National has higher credit quality and portfolio composition in sectors that have been less volatile historically. The changes in fair value reflect partially offsetting effects as the value of the investment portfolios generally changes in an opposite direction from the liability portfolio.

In millions	Change in Credit Spreads		
	50 Basis Point Decrease	50 Basis Point Increase	200 Basis Point Increase
Estimated change in fair value	\$ 86	\$ (153)	\$ (398)

Credit Derivatives Sensitivity

MBIA Corp. issued insurance policies insuring payments due on structured credit derivative contracts which are marked-to-market through earnings under the accounting principles for derivatives and hedging activities. The majority of these structured CDSs related to structured finance transactions with underlying reference obligations of cash securities and CDSs referencing liabilities of corporations or of other structured finance securitizations. The asset classes of the underlying reference obligations included corporate, ABS, RMBS and CMBS. These transactions were usually underwritten at or above a triple-A credit rating level. As of March 31, 2016, approximately 62% of the tranches insured by the Company were rated triple-A.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk (continued)

As changes in fair value can be caused by factors unrelated to the performance of MBIA Corp.'s business and credit portfolio, including general market conditions and perceptions of credit risk, as well as market use of credit derivatives for hedging purposes unrelated to the specific referenced credits in addition to events that affect particular credit derivative exposures, the application of fair value accounting will cause the Company's earnings to be more volatile than would be suggested by the underlying performance of MBIA's business operations and credit portfolio.

The following tables reflect sensitivities to changes in credit spreads, credit rating, recovery rates and MBIA Corp.'s upfront credit spreads. Each table stands on its own and should be read independently of each other. Refer to "Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information about the Company's financial assets and liabilities that are accounted for at fair value, including valuation techniques and disclosures required by GAAP.

Sensitivity to changes in credit spreads can be estimated by projecting a hypothetical instantaneous shift in credit spread curves. The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value and the cumulative estimated net fair value of MBIA Corp.'s credit derivatives portfolio of instantaneous shifts in credit spreads as of March 31, 2016. In scenarios where credit spreads decreased, a floor of zero was used.

In millions	Change in Credit Spreads (International and Structured Finance Insurance)					
	600 Basis Point	200 Basis Point	50 Basis Point	0 Basis Point	50 Basis Point	200 Basis Point
	Decrease	Decrease	Decrease	Change	Increase	Increase
Estimated pre-tax net gains (losses)	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1)	\$ (2)
Estimated net fair value	\$ (94)	\$ (98)	\$ (99)	\$ (99)	\$ (100)	\$ (101)

Actual shifts in credit spread curves will vary based on the credit quality of the underlying reference obligations. In general, within any asset class, higher credit rated reference obligations will exhibit less credit spread movement than lower credit rated reference obligations. Additionally, the degree of credit spread movement can vary significantly for different asset classes. The basis point change presented in the preceding table, however, represents a fixed basis point change in referenced obligation credit spreads across all credit quality rating categories and asset classes and, therefore, the actual impact of spread changes would vary from this presentation depending on the credit rating and distribution across asset classes, both of which will adjust over time depending on new business written and runoff of the existing portfolio.

The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value and the cumulative estimated net fair value of MBIA Corp. 's insured credit derivatives portfolio by projecting a hypothetical change in the credit ratings as of March 31, 2016. A notch represents a one-step movement up or down in the credit rating.

In millions	Change in Credit Ratings (International and Structured Finance Insurance)				
	Three Notch Increase	One Notch Increase	No Change	One Notch Decrease	Three Notch Decrease
Estimated pre-tax net gains (losses)	\$ 13	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ (9)	\$ (26)
Estimated net fair value	\$ (86)	\$ (98)	\$ (99)	\$ (108)	\$ (125)

Recovery rates on defaulted collateral are an input into MBIA Corp.'s valuation model. Sensitivity to changes in the recovery rate assumptions used by MBIA Corp. can be estimated by projecting a hypothetical change in these assumptions. The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value and the cumulative estimated net fair value of MBIA Corp.'s insured credit derivatives portfolio based on a change in the recovery rate assumptions as of March 31, 2016.

In millions	Change in Recovery Rates (International and Structured Finance Insurance)				
	20% Increase	10% Increase	No Change	10% Decrease	20% Decrease
Estimated pre-tax net gains (losses)	\$ 5	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ (3)	\$ (5)
Estimated net fair value	\$ (94)	\$ (97)	\$ (99)	\$ (102)	\$ (104)

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk (continued)

Accounting principles for fair value measurements require MBIA Corp. to incorporate its own nonperformance risk in its valuation methodology. Sensitivity to changes in MBIA Corp.’s credit spreads can be estimated by projecting a hypothetical change in this assumption. The following table presents the estimated pre-tax change in fair value and the cumulative estimated net fair value of MBIA Corp.’s insured credit derivative portfolio. The actual upfront spread used in the valuation as of March 31, 2016 ranged from 19.61% to 33.43% based on the tenor of each transaction. The below amounts include an additional annual running credit spread of 5%.

In millions	MBIA Corp.’s Upfront Credit Spread (International and Structured Finance Insurance)				
	Increase by 15 Percentage Points	Increase by 7 Percentage Points	No Change	Decrease to 7 Percentage Points	Decrease to 15 Percentage Points
Estimated pre-tax net gains (losses)	\$ 20	\$ 10	\$ -	\$ (11)	\$ (24)
Estimated net fair value	\$ (79)	\$ (89)	\$ (99)	\$ (110)	\$ (124)

MBIA Corp.’s insurance of structured credit derivatives typically remain in place until the maturity of the derivative. With respect to MBIA Corp.’s insured structured credit derivatives, in the absence of credit impairments or the termination of derivatives at losses, the cumulative unrealized losses should reverse before or at maturity of the contracts. Additionally, in the event of the termination and settlement of a contract prior to maturity, any resulting gain or loss upon settlement will be recorded in our consolidated financial statements.

Warrants Sensitivity

Warrants issued by the Company to purchase shares of MBIA Inc. common stock are recorded at fair value in the Company’s balance sheet and changes in fair value are recorded through earnings. The Company values these warrants using the Black-Scholes model. Refer to “Note 6: Fair Value of Financial Instruments” in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further information about the valuation of warrants issued by the Company.

While several factors influence the value of the Company’s warrants, including stock price, stock volatility, interest rates and dividends, changes in the value of the Company’s warrants are primarily driven by changes in the Company’s stock price and volatility. The following tables present the estimated pre-tax change in fair value and the estimated aggregate fair value of the Company’s warrants assuming hypothetical stock price and volatility changes as of March 31, 2016. Each table stands on its own and should be read independent of each other.

In millions	Change in Stock Price				
	25% Increase	10% Increase	No Change	10% Decrease	25% Decrease
Estimated pre-tax net gains (losses)	\$ (18)	\$ (7)	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ 14
Estimated net fair value	\$ (47)	\$ (36)	\$ (29)	\$ (23)	\$ (15)

In millions	Change in Stock Volatility				
	10% Increase	5% Increase	No Change	5% Decrease	10% Decrease
Estimated pre-tax net gains (losses)	\$ (6)	\$ (3)	\$ -	\$ 3	\$ 6
Estimated net fair value	\$ (35)	\$ (32)	\$ (29)	\$ (26)	\$ (23)

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15(d)-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company’s senior management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer. Based on that evaluation, the Company’s management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report. In addition, there have not been any changes in the Company’s internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) during the fiscal quarter to which this report relates that have materially affected, or are likely to materially affect, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

For a discussion of the Company's litigation and related matters, see "Note 13: Commitments and Contingencies" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of MBIA Inc. and Subsidiaries in Part I, Item 1. In the normal course of operating its businesses, MBIA Inc. may be involved in various legal proceedings. As a courtesy, the Company posts on its website under the section "Legal Proceedings," selected information and documents in reference to selected legal proceedings in which the Company is the plaintiff or the defendant. The Company will not necessarily post all documents for each proceeding and undertakes no obligation to revise or update them to reflect changes in events or expectations. The complete official court docket can be publicly accessed by contacting the clerk's office of the respective court where each litigation is pending.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

The following should be read in conjunction with and supplements the risk factors described under Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors" of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Insured Portfolio Loss Related Risk Factors

Some of the state, local and territorial governments and finance authorities and other providers of public services, located in the U.S. or abroad, that issue public finance obligations we insure are experiencing unprecedented fiscal stress that could result in increased credit losses or impairments on those obligations

Although the financial conditions of many state, local and territorial governments and finance authorities that issue the obligations we insure have improved since the financial crisis, some issuers continue to report unprecedented fiscal stress that has required them to significantly raise taxes or cut spending in order to satisfy their obligations. In particular, certain jurisdictions have significantly underfunded pension liabilities which are placing additional stress on their finances and are particularly challenging to restructure either through negotiation or under Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. If the issuers of the obligations in our public finance portfolio are unable to raise taxes, cut spending, or receive state or federal assistance, we may experience losses or impairments on those obligations, which could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. The financial stress experienced by certain municipal issuers could result in the filing of Chapter 9 proceedings in states where municipal issuers are permitted to seek bankruptcy protection. In these proceedings, which remain rare, the resolution of bondholder claims (and by extension, those of bond insurers) may be subject to legal challenge by other creditors.

The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and certain of its instrumentalities ("Puerto Rico") is experiencing fiscal stress and constrained liquidity due to, among other things, Puerto Rico's structural budget imbalance, limited access to the capital markets, a stagnating local economy, net migration of people out of Puerto Rico and a high debt burden. Although Puerto Rico has tried to address its significant financial challenges through various fiscal policies, it continues to experience fiscal stress. The Governor of Puerto Rico has stated that the island's approximately \$70 billion in debt is "not payable" and has actively lobbied the U.S. Congress for bankruptcy reform and other Federal support. Furthermore, the Governor formed a working group to study and make recommendations regarding Puerto Rico's short- and long-term challenges. In September of 2015, this working group released a report that projected a sizable deficit of available cash resources to expenses and debt service over the next five years absent meaningful fiscal and structural reform, and concluded that a voluntary adjustment of the terms of the Commonwealth's debt is necessary.

We continue to believe, based on our analysis of Puerto Rico's fiscal and structural circumstances, the details of our insured exposures, and our legal and contractual rights, that all of our insured Puerto Rico related debt will ultimately be substantially repaid. As of March 31, 2016, National had \$3.9 billion of gross par outstanding \$4.3 billion of gross par outstanding when including accreted interest on capital appreciation bonds related to Puerto Rico. Puerto Rico may be unable or unwilling to pay their obligations as and when due, in which case National would be required to pay claims of unpaid principal and interest when due under its insurance policies, which could be material. While National would seek to recover any claim payments it makes under its guarantees, there is no assurance that it will be able to recover such payments. To the extent that its claims payments are ultimately substantially greater than its claims recoveries, National may experience material losses on those obligations, which could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Finally, if the Commonwealth and/or certain of its instrumentalities were granted access to Chapter 9 under the federal Bankruptcy law, or its substantive equivalent, as has been proposed by various federal legislators and recommended by the Obama administration, any such filing could result in substantial delays in payments on the National insured bonds issued by such instrumentalities and could provide a mechanism to bind National and other creditors to a plan of reorganization that results in an impairment of the National insured debt for such instrumentalities. Similar risks exist if Puerto Rico is ultimately able to adopt its own bankruptcy regime, which federal courts have thus far deemed to be unconstitutional but which issue is presently before the Supreme Court of the United States. Refer to the "U.S. Public Finance Insurance Puerto Rico Exposures" section in Part II, Item 7 of MBIA's 2015 Form 10-K and in Part I, Item 2 of this Form 10-Q for additional information on our Puerto Rico exposures.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

On October 28, 2015, the Company’s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase by the Company or its subsidiaries of up to \$100 million of its outstanding shares under a new share repurchase authorization. As of March 31, 2016, there was no remaining authorized capacity under the October 28, 2015 repurchase program.

On February 23, 2016, the Company’s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase by the Company or its subsidiaries of up to \$100 million of its outstanding shares under a new share repurchase authorization. As of May 5, 2016, we have not repurchased any shares under this new share repurchase authorization. The table below presents repurchases made by the Company in each month during the first quarter of 2016:

Month	Total Number of Shares Purchased ⁽¹⁾	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan	Maximum Amount That May Be Purchased Under the Plan ⁽²⁾ (in millions)
January	12,645,969	\$ 6.28	12,645,969	\$ 14
February	3,139,654	6.38	2,240,366	100
March	78,316	8.75	-	100
	15,863,939	\$ 6.31	14,886,335	\$ 100

(1) - 965,477 shares were repurchased by the Company in open market transactions for settling awards under the Company’s long-term incentive plans and 12,127 shares were purchased in open market transactions as investments in the Company’s non-qualified deferred compensation plan.
(2) - On February 23, 2016, the Company’s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of common stock up to \$100 million under a new share repurchase program.

Item 5. Other Information

Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Company was held on May 3, 2016 (the “Annual Meeting”). The matters that were voted upon at the Annual Meeting, and the number of votes cast for or against each matter (and percent of shares voted), as well as the number of abstentions (and percent of shares voted) and broker non-votes as to each such matter, where applicable, are set forth below.

Proposal 1: Election of Directors. The shareholders elected the Company's nominees to the Board of Directors. The voting results were as follows:

Nominees	For (% of shares voted)		Against (% of shares voted)		Abstain (% of shares voted)		Broker Non-Votes
Joseph W. Brown	98,730,490	(98.44%)	1,519,703	(1.52%)	47,134	(0.05%)	22,410,417
Maryann Bruce	97,964,005	(97.67%)	2,272,312	(2.27%)	61,010	(0.06%)	22,410,417
Keith D. Curry	99,002,573	(98.71%)	1,248,237	(1.24%)	46,517	(0.05%)	22,410,417
Steven J. Gilbert	97,746,091	(97.46%)	2,499,066	(2.49%)	52,170	(0.05%)	22,410,417
Charles R. Rinehart	98,093,022	(97.80%)	2,158,256	(2.15%)	46,049	(0.05%)	22,410,417
Lois A. Scott	99,606,737	(99.31%)	633,377	(0.63%)	57,213	(0.06%)	22,410,417
Theodore Shasta	98,721,234	(98.43%)	1,527,326	(1.52%)	48,767	(0.05%)	22,410,417
Richard C. Vaughan	98,607,367	(98.32%)	1,643,100	(1.64%)	46,860	(0.05%)	22,410,417

Proposal 2: Approval of Compensation Paid to Named Executive Officers. The shareholders voted to approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers listed in the proxy statement for the Annual Meeting. The shareholder vote is advisory and non-binding. The voting results were as follows:

For (% of shares voted)		Against (% of shares voted)		Abstain (% of shares voted)		Broker Non-Votes
65,259,613	(65.07%)	34,956,193	(34.85%)	81,521	(0.08%)	22,410,417

Proposal 3: Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. The shareholders ratified the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2016. The voting results were as follows:

For (% of shares voted)		Against (% of shares voted)		Abstain (% of shares voted)		Broker Non- Votes
121,510,507	(99.02%)	1,135,707	(0.93%)	61,530	(0.05%)	0

Item 6. Exhibits

- +31.1. Chief Executive Officer - Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- +31.2. Chief Financial Officer - Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- *32.1. Chief Executive Officer - Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- *32.2. Chief Financial Officer - Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- +101. Additional Exhibits - MBIA Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016, formatted in XBRL.

+ Filed Herewith
* Furnished Herewith

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 9, 2016

MBIA Inc.
Registrant

Date: May 9, 2016

/s/ Anthony McKiernan

Anthony McKiernan

Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 9, 2016

/s/ Douglas C. Hamilton

Douglas C. Hamilton

Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

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Section 2: EX-31.1 (EX-31.1)

Exhibit 31.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Joseph W. Brown, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed the Quarterly Report of MBIA Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-Q for the period ending March 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”);
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 Company as of, and for, the periods presented in this Report;
4.

The Company’s other certifying officers 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 15d-15(f)) for the Company 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 Company, 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 Company’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 that there were no changes in the Company’s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company’s first quarter of 2016 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting; and
5.

The Company’s other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Company’s auditors and to the audit committee of the board of directors:

(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 Company’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 Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Joseph W. Brown

Joseph W. Brown

Chief Executive Officer

May 9, 2016

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Section 3: EX-31.2 (EX-31.2)

Exhibit 31.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Anthony McKiernan, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed the Quarterly Report of MBIA Inc. (the “Company”) on Form 10-Q for the period ending March 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”);
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 Company as of, and for, the periods presented in this Report;
4.

The Company’s other certifying officers 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 15d-15(f)) for the Company 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 Company, 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 Company'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 that there were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company's first quarter of 2016 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The Company's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Company's auditors and to the audit committee of the board of directors:
- (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 Company'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 Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Anthony McKiernan

Anthony McKiernan
Chief Financial Officer
May 9, 2016
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Section 4: EX-32.1 (EX-32.1)

Exhibit 32.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of MBIA Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending March 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Joseph W. Brown, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 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 the Company.

/s/ Joseph W. Brown

Joseph W. Brown
Chief Executive Officer
May 9, 2016
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Section 5: EX-32.2 (EX-32.2)

Exhibit 32.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of MBIA Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending March 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Anthony McKiernan, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 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 the Company.

/s/ Anthony McKiernan

Anthony McKiernan
Chief Financial Officer
May 9, 2016
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