

**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2018**

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Policyholders of  
L & A Mutual Insurance Company

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of L & A Mutual Insurance Company (the Company), which comprise the balance sheet as at December 31, 2018 and the statements of surplus and resources for protection of policyholders, comprehensive loss and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2018, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements**

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

In preparing these financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company, or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
(CONT'D)**

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

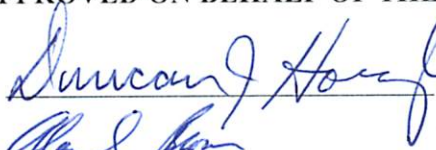

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

*Wilkinson & Company LLP*

BELLEVILLE, Canada  
February 4, 2019

Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants

**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2018**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	3,535,400	777,871
Portfolio investments - Note 5	10,095,154	12,294,090
Accrued investment income	7,227	47,074
Accounts receivable		
- Agents and policyholders	3,198,415	2,905,318
- Other - Note 6	308,371	269,624
Income taxes recoverable	25,440	
Reinsurer's share of provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses - Note 6	4,497,322	4,196,446
Deferred policy acquisition expenses - Note 6	830,326	785,519
Property, plant and equipment - Note 7	535,471	516,643
Intangible assets - Note 7		461
Deferred income taxes - Note 8	10,000	12,000
	<b>23,043,126</b>	<b>21,805,046</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	399,501	383,963
Income taxes payable		41,297
Provision for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses - Note 6	9,280,195	8,326,605
Unearned premiums - Note 6	5,391,869	5,001,798
	<b>15,071,565</b>	<b>13,753,663</b>
<b>POLICYHOLDERS' SURPLUS</b>		
Surplus and resources for protection of policyholders	7,971,561	8,051,383
<b>APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD</b>		
	Director	
	Director	
	<b>23,043,126</b>	<b>21,805,046</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
STATEMENT OF SURPLUS AND  
RESOURCES FOR PROTECTION OF POLICYHOLDERS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018**

	<b>2018</b>	2017
	\$	\$
<b>BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>8,051,383</b>	7,792,227
<b>COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) FOR YEAR</b>	<b>(79,822)</b>	259,156
<b>BALANCE - END OF YEAR</b>	<b>7,971,561</b>	8,051,383

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**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>PREMIUM INCOME</b>		
Gross premiums written	10,386,514	9,665,062
Less reinsurance premiums	(1,908,456)	(1,879,612)
Net premiums written	8,478,058	7,785,450
Increase in unearned premiums	(389,169)	(105,777)
Net premiums earned	8,088,889	7,679,673
Service charges	56,854	57,553
	<b>8,145,743</b>	<b>7,737,226</b>
<b>DIRECT LOSSES INCURRED</b>		
Gross claims and adjusting expenses (including salaries and benefits and overhead \$309,180; 2017 - \$312,880)	5,812,474	4,342,486
Less reinsurer's share of claims and adjusting expenses	(455,710)	238,030
	<b>5,356,764</b>	<b>4,580,516</b>
	<b>2,788,979</b>	<b>3,156,710</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Commissions	1,506,920	1,394,818
Salaries and benefits	636,859	809,423
Advertising and promotion	60,644	71,310
Bank charges and interest	42,490	42,534
Professional fees	67,662	52,337
Loss prevention (including salaries and benefits of \$54,949; 2017 - \$47,655)	97,965	95,209
Travel and education	27,860	18,598
Other expenses	35,220	36,025
Office, printing and telephone	77,414	88,477
Computer expenses	154,501	151,318
Insurance	35,172	22,135
Ontario premium taxes	29,604	28,530
Association, bureau fees and donations	38,448	38,846
Building occupancy costs	77,858	60,099
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and intangibles	41,952	48,822
	<b>2,930,569</b>	<b>2,958,481</b>
<b>UNDERWRITING PROFIT (LOSS)</b>	<b>(141,590)</b>	<b>198,229</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES)</b>		
Investment income - Note 11	90,609	177,684
Management fees - portfolio investments	(46,841)	(83,757)
	<b>43,768</b>	<b>93,927</b>
<b>COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>(97,822)</b>	<b>292,156</b>
<b>INCOME TAX PROVISION FOR (RECOVERY OF)</b>		
Current - Note 8	(20,000)	31,000
Deferred - Note 8	2,000	2,000
	<b>(18,000)</b>	<b>33,000</b>
<b>COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) FOR YEAR</b>	<b>(79,822)</b>	<b>259,156</b>

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**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Comprehensive income (loss) for year	(79,822)	259,156
Adjustment for items which do not affect cash -		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and intangibles	41,952	48,822
Gain on sale of portfolio investments (realized and unrealized) - Note 11	347,478	94,202
Deferred income taxes	2,000	2,000
	<b>311,608</b>	404,180
Net change in non-cash working capital balances related to operations - Note 9	<b>654,782</b>	(1,053)
<b>CASH FLOWS PROVIDED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>966,390</b>	403,127
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of portfolio investments	(14,045,987)	(7,639,171)
Proceeds on sale of portfolio investments	15,897,445	7,505,890
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangibles	(60,319)	(1,339)
<b>CASH FLOWS PROVIDED FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>1,791,139</b>	(134,620)
<b>INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>2,757,529</b>	268,507
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>777,871</b>	509,364
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR</b>	<b>3,535,400</b>	777,871
<b>REPRESENTED BY:</b>		
Cash	<b>3,535,400</b>	777,871

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**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018**

**1. NATURE OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

**(a) Reporting Entity**

The Company was incorporated without share capital in August, 1876 under the laws of the Province of Ontario as a mutual insurance company and is subject to the Insurance Act (Ontario). It is licenced to conduct its principal business activity which is to write property, liability and automobile insurance in Ontario. The Company's head office is located on 32 Mill Street East, Napanee, Ontario.

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

These financial statements have been authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on February 4, 2019.

**(b) Basis of Presentation**

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

These financial statements were prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Company presents the balance sheet in order of liquidity with a distinction based on expectations regarding recovery or settlement within twelve months after the balance sheet date (current) and more than twelve months after the balance sheet date (non-current) as described below.

The following balances are generally classified as current unless otherwise noted in these financial statements: cash, portfolio investments, accrued investment income, accounts receivable, reinsurer's share of provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses, deferred policy acquisition expenses, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, income taxes payable, provision for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses and unearned premiums.

The following balances are generally classified as non-current unless otherwise noted in these financial statements: property, plant and equipment, intangible assets and deferred income taxes.

The Company's functional and presentation currency is the Canadian dollar.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with IFRS requires management to make certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgment in applying the Company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment of complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 2(a).

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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## **2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Company follows International Financial Reporting Standards, which comply with the requirements for filing with the Financial Services Commission of Ontario. Those accounting policies considered to be particularly significant are as follows:

### **(a) Accounting Estimates**

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

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

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

#### **(i) Provision for Unpaid Claims**

The estimation of the provision for unpaid claims and the related reinsurer's share are the Company's most critical accounting estimates. There are several sources of uncertainty that need to be considered by the Company in estimating the amount that will ultimately be paid on these claims. The uncertainty arises because all events affecting the ultimate settlement of claims have not taken place and may not take place for some time. Changes in the estimate of the provision can be caused by receipt of additional claim information, changes in judicial interpretation of contracts, or significant changes in severity or frequency of claims from historical trends. The estimates are based on the Company's historical experience and industry experience. More details are included in Note 6 to these financial statements.

#### **(ii) Income Taxes**

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

#### **(iii) Classification of Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss ("FVTPL")**

The classification of financial assets at FVTPL, which includes assessing the business model within which the assets are held and whether the contractual terms of the assets are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. See Note 2(e) for further information on the company's business model.

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**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(b) Insurance Contracts**

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

Balances arising from insurance contracts primarily include unearned premiums, provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses and unpaid claims and adjustment expenses and deferred policy acquisition expenses.

**(i) Premiums and Unearned Premiums**

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

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

**(ii) Deferred Policy Acquisition Expenses**

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

**(iii) Provisions for Unpaid Claims and Adjustment Expenses**

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

Provisions for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses are carried on an undiscounted basis.

**(iv) Liability Adequacy Test**

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

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**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(b) Insurance Contracts (Cont'd)**

**(v) Reinsurer's Share of Provisions for Unpaid Claims and Adjustment Expenses**

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

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

**(vi) Salvage and Subrogation Recoverable**

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

Where the Company indemnifies policyholders against a liability claim, it acquires rights to subrogate its claim against other parties. These claims are recognized when funds are received, and are netted against gross claims and adjusting expenses.

**(vii) Refund from Premiums**

Under the discretion of the Board of Directors, the Company may declare a refund to its policyholders based on the premiums paid in the fiscal period. This refund would be recognized in the statement of comprehensive income in the period for which it is declared.

**(c) Structured Settlements, Fire Mutuals Guarantee Fund and Financial Guarantee Contracts**

The Company has the ability to enter into annuity agreements with various life insurance companies to provide for fixed and recurring payments to claimants. Under such arrangements, the Company's liability to its claimants is substantially transferred, although the Company remains exposed to the credit risk that life insurers fail to fulfil their obligations.

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

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

**L & A MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018**

**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(d) Financial Instruments**

The Company classifies its financial instruments into one of the following categories based on the business model in which they are held and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. All transactions related to financial instruments are recorded on a trade date basis. The Company's accounting policy for each category is as follows:

**(i) Amortized Cost**

**Financial Assets**

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

The IFRS 9 impairment model requires impairment allowances for all exposures from the time a financial asset is originated, based on the deterioration of credit risk (such as significant financial difficulties on the part of the counterparty or default or significant delay in payment) since initial recognition. This is based on the history of all credit losses for similar financial assets. If the credit risk has not increased significantly, the Company sets up an allowance based on 12 month expected losses. If the credit risk has increased significantly and if the loan is credit impaired, the Company will set up an allowance based on lifetime expected losses. For amounts due from policyholders and reinsurer, which are reported net, such allowance is recorded in a separate allowance account with the loss being recognized in comprehensive income. On confirmation that the amounts receivable will not be collectable, the gross carrying value of the financial asset is written off against the associated allowance.

**Financial Liabilities**

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

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(d) Financial Instruments**

**(ii) Fair Value Through Profit or Loss**

A financial asset is classified in this category if it is held for trading and acquired principally for selling in the short term or upon initial recognition the Company designates it as such. Derivatives are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated hedges. Fair value through profit or loss instruments are carried at fair value in the balance sheet with changes in fair value recorded in the statement of comprehensive income.

The Company uses settlement date accounting for the purchase and sale of equity instruments.

**(iii) Classification**

The classification of financial instruments are outlined in Note 4 to these financial statements.

**(e) Portfolio Investments**

Portfolio investments, which include fixed-income securities, equities and mutual/pooled funds, are classified as fair value through profit or loss and are initially recorded at their acquisition cost (fair value) on the date of trade. The Company manages and evaluates performance of its fixed-income securities, as well as equities and mutual/pooled funds, on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented investment strategy. The instruments are neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets.

Portfolio investments are subsequently adjusted to fair value as at the date of the balance sheet and the corresponding unrealized gains and losses are recorded in comprehensive income.

**(f) Property, Plant and Equipment and Depreciation**

Property, plant and equipment are stated at acquisition cost and subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Gains or losses on the disposal of individual assets are recognized in income in the year of disposal. Depreciation is provided on the basis as detailed below:

<b>Asset</b>	<b>Basis</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Building	Declining balance	5%
Land and parking improvements	Declining balance	8%
Computer equipment	Straight-line	3 years
Office furniture and fixtures	Declining balance	20%

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

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**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(g) Intangible Assets**

Intangible assets consist of computer software which are not integral to the computer hardware owned by the Company. Software is initially recorded at cost and subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses. Software is amortized on a straight-line basis over 3 years.

**(h) Income Taxes**

Income tax expense is comprised of current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax are recognized in comprehensive income except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognized directly in equity or in other earnings.

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

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

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

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

**(i) Provisions**

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

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**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(j) Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable are classified as amortized cost and are measured at initial recognition at fair value and are expected to be settled within one year. See Note 2(d)(i) to these financial statements for discussion regarding the impairment model. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against operating expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

**(k) Post-Employment Benefits - Pension plan**

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

**(l) Post-Employment Benefits - Non-Pension Benefits**

The Company participates in a multi-employer health and dental benefit plan that provides post-employment extended health and dental benefits to eligible retired employees. Entitlement to these benefits is conditional on the employee remaining in service up to retirement age and the completion of a minimum service period. There are no employee contributions and the benefits are not funded.

The accrued obligation is based on the present value of expected future benefit plan payments once an employee reaches the age of eligibility. This method includes various estimates including retirement dates and ages of employees, expected extended health and dental benefit plan costs and related factors. Such estimates are subject to uncertainty.

The accrued obligation is included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities in the statement of financial position.

**(m) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on deposit.

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

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

- IFRS 16 - Leases. This standard sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases. The objective is to ensure that lessees and lessors provide relevant information in a manner that faithfully represents those transactions. This information gives a basis for users of financial statements to assess the effect that leases have on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of an entity. This standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2019.



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**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)**

**(n) Standards, Amendments and Interpretations Not Yet Effective (Cont'd)**

- IFRS 17 - Insurance Contracts (to supersede IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts). This standard changes how entities account for insurance contracts. Under IFRS 17, the general model requires entities to measure an insurance contract using the total of the fulfillment cash flows (which is comprised of the estimated future cash flows, an adjustment to reflect the time value of money and an explicit risk adjustment for non-financial risk) and the contractual service margin. The fulfillment cash flows are re-measured on a current basis each reporting period. The contractual service margin is recognized over the coverage period. If the insurance contract is less than one year in length, the standard allows a simplified approach called the premium allocation method. This standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2022. The standard is to be applied retrospectively unless impracticable, in which case, the modified retrospective approach or fair value approach is to be used. The Company is currently assessing the impact of IFRS 17.
- IFRIC 23 - Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments. This interpretation provides guidance on recognition and measurement of uncertain income tax treatments. The effective date for IFRIC 23 is January 1, 2019.

With the exception of IFRS 17, the Company does not expect the above amendments to have significant impacts on the financial statements in future years.

**3. ADOPTION OF IFRS 9 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

On January 1, 2018, the Company adopted IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments, which supersedes IAS 39 - Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. IFRS 9 includes revised guidance on the classification and measurement of financial assets and liabilities, new guidance for measuring impairment of financial assets and new hedge accounting guidance.

Financial assets and liabilities held at January 1, 2018 have been reclassified based on the new classification requirements and the characteristics of each financial instrument as at the transition date. However, the adoption of IFRS 9 has not resulted in any required restatement of prior period financials and has had no impact on previously reported policyholders' surplus as at January 1, 2018.

Under IFRS 9, financial assets are classified and measured based on the business model in which they are held and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. IFRS 9 contains three primary measurement categories for financial assets, which include, amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income and FVTPL. Financial liabilities under IFRS 9 maintain many of the IAS 39 requirements. Classification of financial assets and liabilities are disclosed in Notes 2(d), 2(e) and 4 to these financial statements.

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**4. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT CLASSIFICATION**

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

	<b>Fair value through profit or loss \$</b>	<b>Amortized Cost \$</b>	<b>Total \$</b>
<b>December 31, 2018</b>			
Cash	3,535,400		3,535,400
Portfolio investments - Note 5	10,095,154		10,095,154
Accrued investment income		7,227	7,227
Accounts receivable			
- Agents and policyholders		3,198,415	3,198,415
- Other - Note 6		308,371	308,371
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(399,501)	(399,501)
	<b>13,630,554</b>	<b>3,114,512</b>	<b>16,745,066</b>
<b>December 31, 2017</b>			
Cash	777,871		777,871
Portfolio investments - Note 5	12,294,090		12,294,090
Accrued investment income		47,074	47,074
Accounts receivable			
- Agents and policyholders		2,905,318	2,905,318
- Other - Note 6		269,624	269,624
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(383,963)	(383,963)
	<b>13,071,961</b>	<b>2,838,053</b>	<b>15,910,014</b>

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**5. PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS**

As noted in Note 2(e) to these financial statements, portfolio investments are classified as fair value through profit or loss and are adjusted to market value as at the balance sheet.

The cost and market values of the investments are as follows:

	2018		2017	
	Cost \$	Fair Value \$	Cost \$	Fair Value \$
Money Market Fund	667,280	667,280	656,951	656,951
Guaranteed Investment Certificate	1,300,000	1,300,000		
Canadian Treasury Bills			245,525	245,525
	<b>1,967,280</b>	<b>1,967,280</b>	902,476	902,476
<b>Fixed income-securities</b>				
Federal government	2,249,327	2,455,152	4,678,414	4,542,620
Provincial government & Provincially guaranteed	1,062,822	1,241,119	405,200	401,111
Canadian Municipal			421,900	416,122
Canadian Corporate	2,409,189	2,018,669	3,136,417	3,080,509
	<b>5,721,338</b>	<b>5,714,940</b>	8,641,931	8,440,362
Guarantee Fund	20,814	20,814	21,850	21,850
Preference shares, common shares and pooled funds	2,595,985	2,392,120	2,409,487	2,929,402
	<b>10,305,417</b>	<b>10,095,154</b>	11,975,744	12,294,090

The effective interest rates range from 0.5% to 5.778% (1.065% to 4.044% for December 31, 2017).

The maximum exposure to credit risk would be the carrying value (fair value) as shown above.

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**5. PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)**

**Fair Value**

The estimated market value of bonds and debentures are based on quoted market values. The estimated market value of preference and common shares are determined using the last bid price.

**Maturity Profile**

The expected maturity dates for fixed-income securities and term deposits are as follows:

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Maturing within one year	162,000	1,606,292
Maturing between one and five years	1,165,024	2,641,533
Maturing over five years	4,387,916	4,192,537
	<b>5,714,940</b>	<b>8,440,362</b>

**6. INSURANCE CONTRACTS**

**Accounts Receivable - Other**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Due from reinsurer, beginning of the year</b>	<b>271</b>	79,439
Submitted to reinsurer	154,835	12,286
Received from reinsurer	(142,070)	(91,454)
<b>Due from reinsurer, end of the year</b>	<b>13,036</b>	271
Due from facility	69,937	65,478
Due from risk sharing pool	225,398	203,875
<b>Accounts receivable - other</b>	<b>308,371</b>	269,624
<b>Expected settlement</b>		
Within one year	308,371	269,624
More than one year	NIL	NIL

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

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**6. INSURANCE CONTRACTS (Cont'd)**

**Reinsurer's Share of Provision for Unpaid Claims**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Balance, beginning of the year</b>	<b>4,196,446</b>	4,446,762
New claims reserve	517,849	354,896
Change in prior years reserve	(62,138)	(592,926)
Submitted to reinsurer	(154,835)	(12,286)
<b>Balance, end of the year</b>	<b>4,497,322</b>	4,196,446
<b>Expected settlement</b>		
Within one year	586,391	88,922
More than one year	3,910,931	4,107,524

**Deferred Policy Acquisition Expenses**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Balance, beginning of the year</b>	<b>785,519</b>	766,517
Acquisition costs incurred	1,551,726	1,413,821
Expensed during the year	(1,506,919)	(1,394,819)
<b>Balance, end of the year</b>	<b>830,326</b>	785,519

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

**Unearned Premiums (UEP)**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Balance, beginning of the year</b>	<b>5,001,798</b>	4,896,079
Premiums written	10,386,514	9,665,062
Premiums earned during year	(9,996,443)	(9,559,343)
Changes in UEP recognized in income	390,071	105,719
<b>Balance, end of the year</b>	<b>5,391,869</b>	5,001,798

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**6. INSURANCE CONTRACTS (Cont'd)**

The determination of the provision for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses and the related reinsurer's share requires the estimation of the following variables: development of claims and reinsurance recoveries. The estimates are based on the Company's historical experience and classified as follows:

	2018		2017	
	Gross \$	Ceded \$	Gross \$	Ceded \$
Short-settlement term	1,964,236	586,391	1,830,446	88,922
Long-settlement term	5,398,112	3,910,931	4,584,980	4,107,524
Facility association and other residual pools	227,847		221,179	
Provision for claims incurred but not reported	1,690,000		1,690,000	
	<b>9,280,195</b>	<b>4,497,322</b>	8,326,605	4,196,446

Short-settlement term is defined as expected settlement within one year, long-term settlement is defined as expected settlement of more than one year.

**Comments and Assumptions for Specific Claims Categories**

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

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

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**6. INSURANCE CONTRACTS (Cont'd)**

**Claims and Adjustment Expenses**

Changes in claim liabilities recorded on the balance sheet for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 and their impact on claims and adjustment expenses for the two years are as follow:

	<b>2018</b>	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Unpaid claim liabilities, beginning of year</b>	<b>8,326,605</b>	8,949,643
Decrease in estimated losses and expenses for losses occurring in prior years	<b>(1,428,338)</b>	(2,388,832)
Provision for losses and expenses on claims occurring in the current year	<b>7,240,812</b>	6,731,318
Payment on claims:		
Current year	<b>(3,932,947)</b>	(4,386,736)
Prior years	<b>(925,937)</b>	(578,788)
<b>Unpaid claims, end of year</b>	<b>9,280,195</b>	8,326,605
Reinsurer's share	<b>4,497,322</b>	4,196,446
<b>Unpaid claims, end of year - net</b>	<b>4,782,873</b>	4,130,159

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

**Provision for Unpaid Claims and Adjustment Expenses**

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

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

**Claim Development**

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

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**6. INSURANCE CONTRACTS (Cont'd)**

The tables that follow present the development of claims payments and the estimated ultimate cost of claims for the claim years 2009 to 2018. The first table presents the claims at gross and the second table presents the claims net of reinsurance recoveries. The upper half of the tables shows the cumulative amounts paid or estimated to be paid during successive years related to each claim year. The original estimates will be increased or decreased, as more information becomes known about the original claims and overall claim frequency and severity.

**Gross Claims**

	2009 \$ (000's)	2010 \$ (000's)	2011 \$ (000's)	2012 \$ (000's)	2013 \$ (000's)	2014 \$ (000's)	2015 \$ (000's)	2016 \$ (000's)	2017 \$ (000's)	2018 \$ (000's)	Total \$ (000's)
<b>Gross estimate of cumulative claims costs</b>											
At the end year of claim	3,965	6,477	6,533	5,362	5,875	10,642	6,744	10,551	6,732	7,241	
One year later	3,297	5,336	5,737	4,878	4,851	9,247	5,778	10,176	6,219		
Two years later	3,093	5,133	5,652	4,502	4,306	8,852	5,115	9,910			
Three years later	3,073	4,980	5,615	4,321	4,096	8,565	4,980				
Four years later	3,073	4,958	5,783	4,446	4,096	8,449					
Five years later	3,050	4,837	5,698	4,405	4,096						
Six years later	3,053	4,878	5,203	4,364							
Seven years later	3,053	4,707	5,203								
Eight years later	3,053	4,659									
Nine years later	3,053										
Current estimate of cumulative claims cost	3,053	4,659	5,203	4,364	4,096	8,449	4,980	9,910	6,219	7,241	58,174
Cumulative payments	3,053	4,648	5,203	4,364	4,073	7,766	4,929	5,513	5,412	3,933	48,894
Outstanding claims	NIL	11	NIL	NIL	23	683	51	4,397	807	3,308	9,280
Outstanding claims 2008 and prior											NIL
<b>Provision for unpaid claims and expenses</b>											<b>9,280</b>



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**Net Claims**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)	(000's)
<b>Net estimate of cumulative claims costs</b>											
At the end year of claim	3,451	5,043	5,500	4,890	5,085	6,938	5,750	6,302	6,524	6,883	
One year later	2,862	4,244	4,676	4,038	3,706	5,942	4,773	5,280	5,393		
Two years later	2,667	4,112	4,493	3,869	3,423	5,837	4,278	5,127			
Three years later	2,619	3,932	4,334	3,685	3,213	5,566	4,143				
Four years later	2,607	3,903	4,352	3,781	3,213	5,467					
Five years later	2,604	3,806	4,343	3,747	3,213						
Six years later	2,604	3,751	4,296	3,743							
Seven years later	2,604	3,751	4,296								
Eight years later	2,604	3,748									
Nine years later	2,604										
Current estimate of cumulative claims cost	2,604	3,748	4,296	3,743	3,213	5,467	4,143	5,127	5,393	6,883	44,617
Cumulative payments	2,604	3,747	4,296	3,743	3,190	4,947	4,093	4,535	4,746	3,933	39,834
Outstanding claims	NIL	1	NIL	NIL	23	520	50	592	647	2,950	4,783
Outstanding claims 2008 and prior											NIL
<b>Total net outstanding claims net of reinsurance</b>											<b>4,783</b>

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**7. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND INTANGIBLES**

	<u>Property, plant and Equipment</u>						<u>Intangibles</u>	
	<u>Land</u> \$	<u>Building</u> \$	<u>Parking Lot</u> \$	<u>Leasehold Improvements</u> \$	<u>Computer Equipment</u> \$	<u>Office Furniture and Fixtures</u> \$	<u>Total</u> \$	<u>Computer Software</u> \$
<b>Cost</b>								
Balance on December 31, 2017	80,924	544,244	17,576	54,168	65,463	107,040	869,415	50,667
Additions		46,639			13,680		60,319	
Balance on December 31, 2018	80,924	590,883	17,576	54,168	79,143	107,040	929,734	50,667
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>								
Balance on December 31, 2017	NIL	176,129	8,556	26,505	61,037	80,545	352,772	50,206
Depreciation expense	NIL	18,599	722	10,834	6,037	5,299	41,491	461
Balance on December 31, 2018	NIL	194,728	9,278	37,339	67,074	85,844	394,263	50,667
<b>Net book value</b>								
December 31, 2017	80,924	368,115	9,020	27,663	4,426	26,495	516,643	461
December 31, 2018	80,924	396,155	8,298	16,829	12,069	21,196	535,471	NIL

The Company's land and buildings were last valued at January 1, 2010. Land and buildings were subject to external valuation performed by F.G. Myatt Commercial Appraisal Services, qualified professional appraiser adhering to the generally accepted Standards of Professional Practice (CUSPAP) and the Code of Ethics of the Appraisal Institute of Canada. The fair value of land and buildings is determined by the "Income Approach to Value" and on comparable market transactions. Had land and buildings not been accounted for using the revaluation model, on a historical cost basis, their net book values would have been approximately \$8,000 and \$329,000 (2017 - \$9,000 and \$346,000). The above building value of \$590,883 includes an amount of approximately \$38,900 related to a new building that is not currently in use and therefore no depreciation has been taken on this balance for the 2018 year.

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**8. INCOME TAX INFORMATION**

The Company has a reduced effective income tax rate due to eligibility for the small business deduction and exemptions within the Income Tax Act for a proportion of its taxable income relating to insuring farm related risks.

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

	<b>2018</b>	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Current Tax Expense</b>		
Based on current year taxable income (loss)	<b>(20,000)</b>	31,000
<b>Deferred Tax Expense (Recovery)</b>		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	<b>2,000</b>	2,000
<b>Total income tax expense</b>	<b>(18,000)</b>	33,000

Reasons for the difference between tax expense for the year and the expected income taxes based on the effective statutory tax rate are as follows:

	<b>2018</b>	2017
	\$	\$
Net income (loss) for the year	<b>(97,822)</b>	292,156
Effective statutory rate	<b>15.50 %</b>	15.00 %
Expected taxes based on the effective statutory rate	<b>(15,162)</b>	43,823
Loss from insuring farm related risks	<b>(2,063)</b>	(3,765)
Non-taxable dividends	<b>(8,814)</b>	(8,249)
Capital cost allowance in excess of depreciation	<b>(193)</b>	666
Non-deductible portion of claims liabilities	<b>5,059</b>	(2,795)
Other non-deductible expenses	<b>1,172</b>	877
Other	<b>1</b>	443
<b>Total income tax expense</b>	<b>(20,000)</b>	31,000

Adjustments to the opening carrying value of temporary differences based on changes to the federal and provincial tax rates result in changes to deferred income tax payable and is reflected in deferred income taxes.

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**8. INCOME TAX INFORMATION (Cont'd)**

The movement in 2018 deferred tax assets (liabilities) are:

	Opening Balance at January 1, 2018 \$	Recognize in Net Income \$	Closing Balance at December 31, 2018 \$
<b>Deferred Tax Assets</b>			
Claims liabilities	27,500	1,300	28,800
Deferred tax asset	27,500	1,300	28,800
<b>Deferred Tax Liabilities</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	(15,400)	(3,400)	(18,800)
Intangible assets	(100)	100	
Deferred tax liability	(15,500)	(3,300)	(18,800)
2018 net deferred income taxes asset movement	12,000	(2,000)	10,000

The movement in 2017 deferred tax assets (liabilities) are:

	Opening Balance at January 1, 2017 \$	Recognize in Net Income \$	Closing Balance at December 31, 2017 \$
<b>Deferred Tax Assets</b>			
Claims liabilities	30,000	(2,500)	27,500
Other	2,700	(2,700)	
Deferred tax asset	32,700	(5,200)	27,500
<b>Deferred Tax Liabilities</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	(18,200)	2,800	(15,400)
Intangible assets	(500)	400	(100)
Deferred tax liability	(18,700)	3,200	(15,500)
2017 net deferred income taxes asset movement	14,000	(2,000)	12,000

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**8. INCOME TAX INFORMATION (Cont'd)**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Deferred Tax Assets</b>		
Deferred tax assets to be recovered within 12 months	12,900	11,600
Deferred tax assets to be recovered after more than 12 months	15,900	15,900
	<u>28,800</u>	<u>27,500</u>
<b>Deferred Tax Liability</b>		
Deferred tax liabilities to be settled within 12 months		(100)
Deferred tax liabilities to be settled after more than 12 months	(18,800)	(15,400)
	<u>(18,800)</u>	<u>(15,500)</u>
Net deferred income taxes asset movement	<u>10,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>

**9. NET CHANGE IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL BALANCES RELATED TO OPERATIONS**

Cash provided from (used in) non-cash working capital is compiled as follows:

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<b>(INCREASE) DECREASE IN CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Accrued interest	39,847	(2,330)
Accounts receivable - agents and policyholders	(293,097)	(108,362)
Accounts receivable - other	(38,747)	59,210
Income taxes recoverable	(25,440)	225,023
Reinsurer's share of provision for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses	(300,876)	250,316
Deferred policy acquisition expenses	(44,807)	(19,002)
	<u>(663,120)</u>	<u>404,855</u>
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	15,538	70,114
Income taxes payable	(41,297)	41,297
Provision for unpaid claims and adjustment expenses	953,590	(623,038)
Unearned premiums	390,071	105,719
	<u>1,317,902</u>	<u>(405,908)</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL BALANCES RELATED TO OPERATIONS</b>	<u>654,782</u>	<u>(1,053)</u>

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**10. INSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

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

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

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

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

The Company manages this risk via its underwriting and reinsurance strategy within an overall risk management framework. Exposures are limited by having documented underwriting limits and criteria. Pricing of property and liability policies are based on assumptions in regard to trends and past experience in an attempt to correctly match policy revenue with exposed risk. Automobile premiums are subject to approval by the Financial Services Commission of Ontario, and therefore, may result in a delay in adjusting the pricing to exposed risk; in this case, the Company has policies regarding renewal and new business accepted. Reinsurance is purchased to mitigate the effect of the potential loss to the Company. Reinsurance is placed with Farm Mutual Re, a Canadian registered reinsurer.

The Company follows a policy of underwriting with reinsuring contracts of insurance. The limit of liability of the Company is to a maximum amount of any one claim of \$250,000 in the event of a property claim, \$275,000 in the event of a liability claim and \$400,000 in the event of an auto claim and \$20,000 for Farmers Accident claims. For claims incurred over the respective limits, there is a 10% retention to a specified maximum for claims prior to 2013 and 100% is recovered for all claims in 2013 and subsequent years over the respective limit. In addition, the Company has obtained reinsurance which limits the Company's liability to approximately \$750,000 in the event of a series of claims arising out of a single occurrence. The Company also has obtained stop loss reinsurance which limits the liability of all claims in a specific year to 80% of gross net earned premiums for all property, liability and automobile lines of business.

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**10. INSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT (Cont'd)**

The Company is exposed to a pricing risk to the extent that unearned premiums are insufficient to meet the related future policy costs. Evaluation is performed regularly to estimate future claims costs, related expenses and expected profit in relation to unearned premiums. There was no premium deficiency at December 31, 2018 and 2017.

The risks associated with insurance contracts are complex and subject to a number of variables which complicate quantitative sensitivity analysis. The Company uses various techniques based on past claims development experience to quantify these sensitivities. This includes indicators such as average claim cost, amount of claims occurrences, expected loss ratios and claims development as described in Note 6.

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

	Property Claims		Auto Claims		Liability Claims	
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>5% change in loss ratios</b>						
Gross claims change	306,719	287,460	168,830	154,001	39,530	37,418
Net claims change	257,579	242,184	129,102	112,575	32,974	30,139

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

**11. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME**

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Interest income	304,880	214,982
Dividend income	118,357	65,553
Unrealized losses on fair value measurement	(572,115)	(155,423)
Realized gains on disposal of investments	224,637	61,221
Other	14,850	(8,649)
	<b>90,609</b>	<b>177,684</b>

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**12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

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

	<b>2018</b>	2017
	\$	\$
<b>Compensation</b>		
Salary, wages, and director's fees	<b>264,060</b>	324,662
Short-term employee benefits	<b>3,891</b>	5,575
Pension and post employment benefits	<b>29,555</b>	50,881
Premiums	<b>58,579</b>	61,644
Claims incurred	<b>5,420</b>	15,500

Amounts owing from and to key management personnel and directors (excluding compensation due and accrued) at December 31, 2018 are \$9,494 (2017 - \$12,408) and \$4,000 (2017 - \$7,200) respectively. The amounts owing are subject to regular payment terms for policyholders and are included in due from agents and policyholders on the balance sheet.

**13. FINANCIAL RISKS AND CONCENTRATION OF RISK**

**Credit Risk**

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

The Company's investment policy puts limits on the fixed-income securities including portfolio composition limits, issuer type limits and corporate sector limits. No foreign bonds are allowed and bonds must have a minimum credit rating of BBB. The maximum amount that may be invested in Guaranteed Investment Certificates may not exceed the amount guaranteed by the Canadian Deposit Insurance Corporation. All fixed income portfolios are monitored by management on a monthly basis and by the Board of Directors not less than a quarterly basis. The Board of Directors appoints and delegates authority to an Investment Manager for the day-to-day investment management relating to cash flow and portfolio levels.



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**13. FINANCIAL RISKS AND CONCENTRATION OF RISK (Cont'd)**

**Credit Risk (Cont'd)**

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

Accounts receivable are short term in nature, originating from of a large number of policyholders and are not subject to material credit risk. Regular review of amounts outstanding is performed to ensure credit worthiness. The maximum exposure to credit risk and concentration of this risk is limited to the carrying value of these instruments.

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

**Market Risk**

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

The Company's investment policy operates within the guidelines of the Insurance Act (Ontario). An investment policy is in place and its application is monitored by the Board of Directors. Diversification techniques are utilized to minimize risk.

**Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the potential for financial loss caused by fluctuations in fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments because of changes in market interest rates.

The Company is exposed to risk through its interest-bearing investments (term deposits and debt securities).

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

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**13. FINANCIAL RISKS AND CONCENTRATION OF RISK (Cont'd)**

**Interest Rate Risk (Cont'd)**

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

As prevailing interest rates increase or decrease, the market value of these interest-bearing investments change. If interest rates were to increase by 1%, with all other variables being held constant, then the effect on the market value of these investments would be a decrease of approximately \$488,000 (2017 - \$470,000). If interest rates were to decrease by 1%, with all other variables being held constant, then the effect on the market value of these investments would be an increase of approximately \$488,000 (2017 - \$534,000). The Company has structured its portfolio in a manner as to be able to allow fixed-income securities to be held to maturity to reduce any potential interest rate risk. For bonds that the Company did not sell during the year, the change during the year would be recognized as Comprehensive Income during the year.

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

**Equity Risk**

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

The Company's portfolio includes Canadian stocks with fair values that move with the Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index. A 10% movement in the stock markets with all other variables held constant would have an estimated effect on the fair values of the Company's preference and common shares of \$239,000 (2017 - \$293,000). For shares that the Company did not sell during the period, the change would be recognized in the asset value and in Comprehensive Income. For shares that the Company did sell during the period, the change during the period and changes prior to the period would be recognized as net realized gains or losses in income during the period.

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**13. FINANCIAL RISKS AND CONCENTRATION OF RISK (Cont'd)**

The Company's investment policy operates within the guidelines of the Insurance Act (Ontario). An investment policy is in place and its application is monitored by the Board of Directors. Diversification techniques are utilized to minimize risk. The Policy limits the investment in portfolio investments as follows:

<b>Investment Category</b>	<b>Maximum percentage of investment portfolio</b>	<b>Minimum percentage of investment portfolio</b>
Canadian equities	25%	0%
Foreign equities	10%	0%
Total equities	25%	0%
Canadian bonds, mortgages and other debt securities	100%	71%
Canadian cash and short-term investments	20%	4% with minimum of \$500,000
Foreign bonds, mortgages and other debt securities	5%	0%
Total fixed	100%	75%

**Liquidity Risk**

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

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

**14. DISCLOSURES RELATING TO FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The Company has categorized its financial assets and liabilities where fair value does not approximate cost based on the priority of the inputs to the valuation techniques used to measure fair value, into a three level fair value hierarchy. Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value are categorized as follows:

Level 1: Fair value is based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in an active market.

Level 2: Fair value is based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or inputs that are observable for the asset or liability either directly as price or indirectly derived from price.

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**14. DISCLOSURES RELATING TO FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Cont'd)**

Level 3: Fair value is based on valuation techniques that require one or more significant unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and are significant to the estimated fair value of the assets and liabilities.

	Level 1 \$ (000's)	Level 2 \$ (000's)	Total \$ (000's)
<b>December 31, 2018</b>			
Fixed-income securities			
Federal government	2,455		2,455
Provincial government and Provincially guaranteed	1,241		1,241
Canadian Municipal			
Canadian Corporate	2,019		2,019
Preference shares, common shares and pooled funds	2,392		2,392
Fire Mutuals' Guarantee Fund		21	21
<b>TOTAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE</b>	<b>8,107</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>8,128</b>
	Level 1 \$ (000's)	Level 2 \$ (000's)	Total \$ (000's)
<b>December 31, 2017</b>			
Fixed-income securities			
Federal government	4,543		4,543
Provincial government and Provincially guaranteed	401		401
Canadian Municipal	416		416
Canadian Corporate	3,081		3,081
Preference shares, common shares and pooled funds	2,929		2,929
Fire Mutuals' Guarantee Fund		22	22
<b>TOTAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE</b>	<b>11,370</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11,392</b>

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## **15. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

The Company's objectives with respect to capital management are to maintain a capital base that is structured to exceed regulatory requirements and to best use capital allocations. Reinsurance is utilized as outlined in the company's underwriting policy on Note 10 to these financial statements to protect the Company's capital. In addition, reinsurance is utilized to protect capital from catastrophic losses as the frequency and severity of these losses are inherently unpredictable. To limit their potential impact, catastrophic coverage limits exposure to \$750,000. The \$750,000 net retained amount represents approximately 9.41% of the Company's capital. For the purpose of capital management, the Company has defined capital as policyholders' surplus.

The regulators measure the financial strength of property and casualty insurers using a minimum capital test (MCT). The regulators generally expect property and casualty companies to comply with capital adequacy requirements. This test compares a Company's capital against the risk profile of the organization. The risk-based capital adequacy framework assesses the risk of assets, policy liabilities and other exposures by applying various factors. The regulator indicates that the Company should produce a minimum MCT of 300%. The regulator has the authority to request more extensive reporting and can place restrictions on the Company's operations if deemed necessary.

In certain actuarial studies, the Net Risk Ratio was shown to have a high correlation to the MCT. As a result of these findings, the Company uses Net Risk Ratio to monitor capital adequacy.

The Company has several guidelines and benchmarks established by the Financial Services Commission of Ontario regarding capital management which it continues to manage and review. As of December 31, 2018, the Company's MCT ratio is approximately 395%, in excess of the minimum requirement of 150%.

## **16. PENSION PLAN**

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

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**16. PENSION PLAN (Cont'd)**

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

For the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company recognized \$96,523 (2017 - \$83,564) in operating expenses for current pension contributions. The Company had a 1.47% share of the total contributions to the Plan in 2018 (2017 - 1.50%)

The Company's expected contributions for current service to the Plan for 2019 are approximately \$99,000.

An actuarial valuation of the Pension Plan as of January 1, 2018 showed a solvency surplus of \$3,599,000. The next actuarial valuation to be filed under the Pension Benefit Act will be as of January 1, 2021.

**17. COMMITMENTS**

The company has entered into two lease agreements covering a satellite office and agent workspace office. The satellite lease expires May, 2020 where the agreement includes the option of two 5 year renewal periods. The agent workspace lease expires December, 2019. Base payments required under the current rental agreements are as follows:

	\$
2019	<b>15,900</b>
2020	<b>3,750</b>

During the year, the company entered into a purchase agreement to purchase certain real property for \$395,000. As at December 31, 2018, approximately \$35,000 and the remaining \$360,000 is to be paid on closing. Closing for this purchase is February 7, 2019.