

# Risk Based Capital Model – Rating Agency Perspective

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## **Agenda**

- ➤ S&P Capital Model
  - ➤ Capital Model Development
  - ➤ Why update the old model
  - > What the model does
- > Total Adjusted Capital
- ➤ Charges for Required Capital





#### **Capital Model Development**

- Old model in existence since 1991 (would give a CAR)
- New European model publicly released in 2007 (confidence level for different rating categories)
  - Updated in May 2008
  - Currently undergoing another review this will include Asian risk charges
    - The Asian version of the expected to be released some time soon target before the end of Q2 2010
  - The latest model web-link
    - http://www2.standardandpoors.com/portal/site/sp/en/ap/page.topic/ratings\_fs ins/2,1,5,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0.html



## Why Update the Model?

- ➤ Part of a global project
- Significant developments in insurance products and practices since last evolution of our model
- Chance to rebase and update some of our charges
- Move to a confidence interval based approach to better reflect different company risk profiles



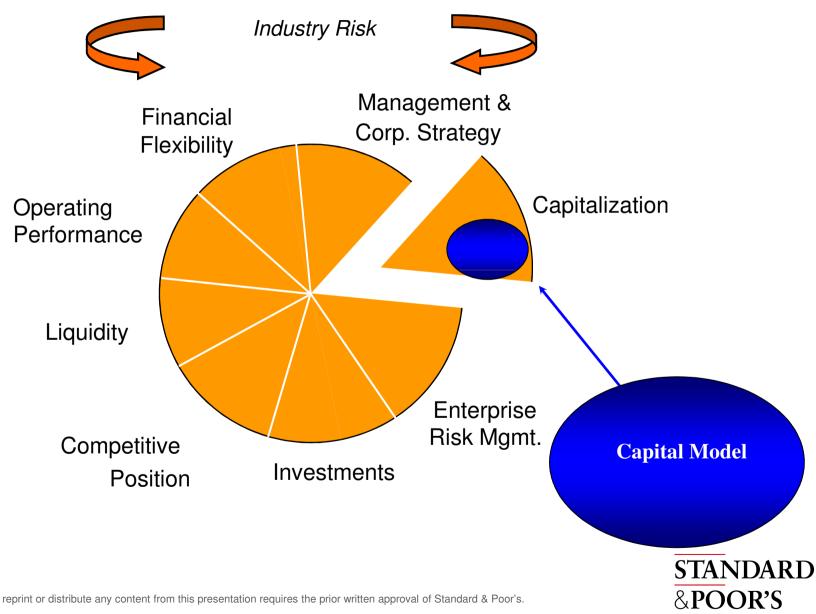
#### What it does do:

- ✓ Provides a consistent framework to assess capital adequacy
- ✓ Tool to gain insight into a company's risk profile
- ✓ Identify potential risk concentrations
- ✓ Assess quantum and quality of capital

#### What it does not do:

x Define the rating outcome





#### **Key Features**

- ➤ Globally consistent framework
- > A single model with regional factors
- > Remains a deterministic, factor-based model
- > All charges reviewed and updated
- > Data requirements manageable
- ➤ Not a substitute for broad-based analysis
- ➤ Used in conjunction with ERM evaluation
- ➤ Diversification credit given



## **Total Adjusted Capital (TAC) & Hybrid Capital**



## **Total Adjusted Capital & Hybrid Capital**

#### **Some Key Points**

- > Hybrid tolerance limits
- ➤ Up to 25% credit for qualifying hybrid plus an additional 10% for Short Dated Mandatory Convertibles
- Recognition of constraints on use of policyholders' capital
- ➤ 100% charge for non-consolidated affiliates
- ➤ 100% charge for non-life DAC\*
- ➤ Recognize the emergence of investment income through discounting unearned premium reserves (UPR).



## **Total Adjusted Capital**

Reported Shareholders Equity/Policyholder Surplus

Plus Equity minority interests\*

Plus Equalization / Catastrophe reserves\*

Plus Prudential margins included in reserves

Minus Proposed shareholder dividends not accrued

Minus S&P impairment of goodwill

Minus Other intangible assets

Minus On-balance sheet unrealized gains/(losses) on life bonds\* \*\* (post tax\*\*\*)

Plus Off-b/s unrealized gains/(losses) on investments exc. life bonds\*(post tax\*\*\*)

Minus Off-balance sheet pension deficits (post tax\*\*\*)

Minus On-balance sheet pension surpluses (post tax\*\*\*)

Plus Up to 100% of off-balance sheet life VIF (post tax\*\*\*)

Plus Property/Casualty loss reserve surpluses/(deficits)

Plus Property/Casualty loss reserve discount

Plus Property/Casualty unearned premium reserve discount

Plus/Minus Analyst adjustments

#### 

- where not already included in shareholders' equity
- \*\* subject to fair value exception
- \*\*\* where tax effect not disclosed use effective tax rate



## **Total Adjusted Capital**

Minus Remaining goodwill after S&P impairment

Minus Investment in unconsolidated subs, associates and other affiliates

Minus Investments in own shares/treasury shares

Minus 50% haircut of off-balance sheet VIF (post tax)

Minus 50% haircut of life deferred acquisition costs (post tax)

Minus 100% haircut of property/casualty deferred acquisition costs

Minus 50% haircut of property/casualty loss reserve surpluses
Minus 33% haircut of property/casualty loss reserve discount

Plus Policyholder capital available to absorb losses

Plus/Minus Analyst adjustments

= TAC before hybrid capital adjustments

Plus Hybrid capital (subject to tolerance limits)

Minus Excess over hybrid capital tolerances

= Total Adjusted Capital



## **Hybrid Capital**

#### **Quality of Capital Can Be Defined Across A Range:**

- Mandatory convertible preference shares (with deferrable coupons) that convert within 3 years
- Mandatory convertible non-deferrable debt that converts within 3 years
- Irredeemable perpetual preference shares
- Callable perpetual preference shares with no step-up
- Perpetual preference shares with step-up
- Perpetual subordinated debt
- Dated subordinated debt with deferrable coupons
- Dated subordinated debt with non-deferrable coupons\*
  - \* Does not qualify for hybrid credit

Strongest; most common equity-like

Weakest; least common equity-like



## **Hybrid Capital**

Category	Description	Treatment	Example	
I	High Equity-Content (up to 35% of TAC)	Hybrid capital	Short Dated Mandatory convertibles (< 3years)	
II	Intermediate Equity Content (Up to 25% of TAC)	Divided into i) Strong  ii) Adequate  Hybrid capital treatment – subject to terms & conditions	i) Tier 1 ii) Upper Tier II	
III	Minimal Equity Content	No hybrid credit. Treated as debt for ratio purposes	Instruments with little or questionable permanence, restricted discretion over payments, or a cost that may become unattractive to the issuer	



## **Key Changes**

#### **Hybrid Ratio**

Amended definition of qualifying hybrid.....

**S&P** Qualifying Hybrid

Group Cons. TAC (excluding Hybrid) + Regulatory Qualifying Hybrid Capital



## **Asset Risk Charges**



## **Asset Charges – Equities**

#### **Data**

➤ Up to 30 years' monthly MSCI data

#### **Distribution/Method**

- > Regime switching log normal model
- ➤ Absolute goodness-of-fit varied by market

## **Charges**

➤ Countries grouped into charging bands



## **Asset Charges – Equities**

	BBB	Α	AA	AAA
US, UK, Australia	20%	32%	37%	43%
Japan, Denmark	25%	37%	40%	45%
Germany, France, Canada, HK	30%	43%	47%	53%
Singapore, Czech Republic	40%	52%	56%	62%
Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Taiwan	45%	60%	65%	71%
Thailand, Russia	60%	75%	79%	83%



## **Asset Charges – Property**

#### **Data**

- ➤ Various property price indices used
- > Periods of 5, 10 and 15 years considered

#### **Distribution/Method**

> Lognormal distribution assumed

#### **Charges**

- > Volatilities a blend of results from different periods
- > Countries grouped by similar characteristics



## **Asset Charges – Property**

	BBB	Α	AA	AAA
Investment Property	10%	15%	18%	20%
Owner Occupied	15%	22%	25%	28%



## **Asset Charges – Credit**

#### **Data**

> S&P default studies

#### **Distribution/Method**

- > Normal distribution assumed
- Discounted
- > Recovery varied by rating / asset type

## **Charges**

> Grouped by rating and term



## **Asset Charges – Credit**

BBB	AAA	AA	Α	BBB	BB	В	CCC/C	Unrated
<1 year	0.07%	0.07%	0.12%	0.55%	2.00%	9.33%	26.67%	2.00%
1–5 years	0.10%	0.13%	0.39%	1.63%	6.81%	18.12%	29.81%	6.81%
5-10 years	0.31%	0.56%	1.31%	3.35%	11.14%	21.84%	33.39%	11.14%
10-20 years	0.51%	1.03%	1.71%	4.15%	12.78%	23.21%	35.77%	12.78%
>20 years	0.67%	1.27%	2.20%	5.03%	13.79%	24.54%	38.85%	13.79%
AA	AAA	AA	Α	BBB	BB	В	CCC/C	Unrated
AA <1 year	<b>AAA</b> 0.10%	<b>AA</b> 0.10%	<b>A</b> 0.16%	0.73%	2.62%	B 11.67%	CCC/C 32.74%	Unrated 2.62%
<1 year	0.10%	0.10%	0.16%	0.73%	2.62%	11.67%	32.74%	2.62%
<1 year 1–5 years	0.10% 0.13%	0.10% 0.18%	0.16% 0.52%	0.73% 2.10%	2.62% 8.48%	11.67% 22.28%	32.74% 35.44%	2.62% 8.48%





#### Two part charge:

- ➤ Interest rate shock for each rating level
- ➤ Assumed Duration Mismatch, used as proxy for ALM sensitivities
- ➤ Interest rate shocks based on historic interest rate and spread volatility
- ➤ Base duration mismatch assumptions determined for each market
- ➤ No allowance for other assets (e.g. equities) backing liabilities
- ➤ Very simple test, with qualitative credit given in analysis for matching policies, controls, track record, etc
- ➤ Reduced charge, below minimum, possible through bespoke portfolio analysis (FPC analysis)



UK, US (category 1) *	BBB	A	AA	AAA			
<u>Life</u>	1.5%	1.9%	2.1%	2.4%			
Nordic (category 4)**							
<u>Life</u>	5.8%	7.7%	8.4%	9.5%			
* assumes minimum, one year mismatch ** assumes minimum, four year mismatch							
Non-life							
Bond Duration (<1 year)	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.6%			
Bond Duration (1-5 years)	2.2%	2.9%	3.2%	3.6%			
Bond Duration (5-10 years)	5.5%	7.2%	7.9%	8.9%			
Bond Duration (>10 years)	10.9%	14.5%	15.8%	17.8%			
Shareholder							
Bond Duration (<1 year)	0.7%	1.0%	1.1%	1.2%			
Bond Duration (1-5 years)	4.4%	5.8%	6.3%	7.1%			
Bond Duration (5-10 years)	10.9%	14.5%	15.8%	17.8%			
Bond Duration (>10 years)	21.9%	28.9%	31.6%	35.6%STANDARD			
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#### Life

- Charges applied to assets backing all liabilities carrying investment risk for the insurer:
  - Non-linked, non-participating business/general account life liabilities
  - Non-linked, participating business

#### Non-life

Charges assume that the degree of mismatch increases as the term of the backing assets increases

#### Shareholders' Funds

Assets are charged for volatility based on outstanding tenor

#### Net impact of interest rate shocks calculated



## **Liability Risk Charges**



## **Liability Charges - Life**

- ➤ Increased granularity of charges by liability type
- > Capital requirements reflect exposure to:
  - Longevity
  - Mortality/morbidity
  - Lapsation
  - Expenses
  - Operational risk



## **Underwriting Risks: Longevity**

- ➤ Analysis was carried out of variability of life expectancy in various Western countries over the past 15+ years
- >Annuities calculated using appropriate age, sex and discount rate
- Expected change in annuity over 5 year period calculated for each rating level



## **Underwriting Risks:**

#### **Mortality**

To factor in credit for higher levels of in-force diversification, expanded the number of net amount of risk groupings:

- > < \$1 Bn, \$1 5 Bn, \$5 10 Bn, \$10 50 Bn, \$50 100 Bn, >\$100Bn
- ➤ Calculated a standard deviation of actual to expected ratios; converted to claim amount volatility and compared that to the net amount at risk.

#### **Other Life Risks**

➤ Simple loading, as a percentage of liabilities, added for lapse, expense and operational risks



## **Underwriting Risk: Non-life Pricing Risk**

- ➤ Determined the second worst industry accident year loss ratio in past 10 years (1994 to 2003), then added an expense ratio.
- Compared with existing capital model charges (derived from worst experience in 10 years to 1993) and blended results to form new charges
- > These factors are tailored to regional experience
  - ➤ Currently investigating regional adjustments for Asia



## **Underwriting Risk: Reserve Volatility**

- ➤ Adopted a loss development metric (LDM) methodology to determine reserve volatility using last 20 years of loss reserve development data
- ➤ The discounted LDM ratios are calculated by line, company, and accident year. A percentile distribution is established to measure adverse scenario loss development.
- > These factors are tailored to regional experience
  - ➤ Currently investigating regional adjustments for Asia



## **Non-Life Reinsurance Charges**

- ➤ US exposure separated and charged on basis of US statutory lines of business
- > Proportional premium charges same as relevant primary charges
- ➤ Non-proportional charges have a loading on top of the primary charges, except property, which has no loading but bears a separate catastrophe charge
- > Reserve charges remain the same as primary charges



## **Catastrophe Capital Charge**

The 1/250-year PML



#### **Market Models**

In the Market – reserve requirements at each confidence level have increased due to an assumption of increased frequency and severity – specifically, the short-term catalog of events.

#### **S&P Approach**

- Is based on: higher level of confidence (previously 1-in-100) required
- Should include: demand surge, fire following (attached to earthquake and fire policies), sprinkler leakage (if not excluded), storm surge and secondary uncertainty losses.
- ➢ <u>Is global:</u> The capital charge covers catastrophe exposures on a global basis, covering the perils: hurricanes (wind), flood (outside the U.S.), earthquake, tornadoes, and hail.



## **Catastrophe Capital Charge**

## "Hard test" for primary insurers in 2007: increasing capital requirements

#### However, impact will be reduced since:

- > Charge will not be geared up for ratings above 'BBB'
- > Charge will be reduced by the tax relief at the effective rate

#### Two premium offsets:

- ➤ Remove the corresponding catastrophe load premium so as not to double-count required capital.
- ➤ In addition, to take into account the short-tail nature of property catastrophe risk, the net aggregate 1-in-250-year modeled loss is reduced by 70% of the associated net written premium.

# Changes also applied to reinsurers, thereby reducing their Capital requirements especially higher rated insurers with higher tax rates





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