'Earned premiums' A volume measure for the statement of comprehensive income

An introduction to Agenda papers 10 and 10A

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Exposure draft proposals

• Earned premium presentation for contracts accounted for using premium allocation approach

Statement of comprehensive income (ignoring acquisition costs)	Currency units
Premium revenue	1,200
Claims and expenses incurred	-1,050
Underwriting margin	150
Change in additional liabilities for onerous contracts	-
Interest accreted on liability	-30
Profit or loss on insurance contracts	120



Exposure draft proposals

Summarised margin presentation for contracts accounted for using building block approach

Statement of comprehensive income (ignoring acquisition costs and changes in estimates)	Currency units
Release of risk adjustment	90
Release of residual margin	80
Underwriting margin	170
Experience adjustments – difference between actual cash flows and previous estimates of those cash flows	- 20
Interest accreted on liability	- 30
Profit or loss on insurance contracts	120



- Summarised margin presentation gives helpful and valuable information.
- But statement of comprehensive income not comparable with those for:
 - contracts accounted for using premium allocation approach
 - other industries.
- And omits useful volume information about premiums, claims and expenses

 key information about new business.
- Measuring a 'revenue' number might be difficult, but premium information could provide a reasonable proxy.



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Earned premiums

- Aims to be a similar measure to:
 - 'revenue' presented by other industries
 - 'premium revenue' presented for contracts accounted for using premium allocation approach
- To achieve that aim it:
 - measures premiums received and receivable for insurance coverage and other services only, ie excludes premiums for investment.
 - allocates premiums to reporting periods in proportion to value of coverage and other service provided each period, as estimated at outset of contract.

Comparing the presentations in statement of comprehensive income

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Summarised margin

Earned premiums

Statement of comprehensive income	Currency units	Statement of comprehensive income	Currency units
Release of risk adjustment	А	Earned premiums	A+B+C
Release of residual margin	В	Claims incurred	-E
Underwriting margin	A+B	Changes in estimates of cash flows	-F
Cash flow experience adjustments – initial estimates (C) + previous	C+D-E	Reversals of changes in estimates of cash flows	D
changes in estimates (D) less actual cash flows (E)		Interest accreted on liability	-G
Current changes in estimates of cash flows	-F	Profit or loss on insurance contracts	A+B+C+D-E-F-G
Interest accreted on liability	-G		
Profit or loss on insurance contracts	A+B+C+D-E-F-G	3	FRS [™]

Possible method of measuring earned premiums

Measurement of earned premiums	Curren	cy units
PREMIUMS RECEIVED		1,390
ADJUST FOR PREMIUMS RELATING TO FUTURE COVERAGE - increase in liability for remaining coverage	-400	
 Excluding: increase in liability caused by changes in estimates and reversals of changes in estimates. 	100	
- And also excluding: increase in liability caused by reduction in discount rate.	80	
		-220
ACCRETION OF INTEREST ON LIABITY FOR REMAINING COVERAGE		30
EARNED PREMIUMS		1,200



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- Need to separate total liability measured using building block approach into two components: liability for remaining coverage and liability for incurred claims.
- 2. Need to track timing of reversals of changes in estimates.
- 3. Others?



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Alternatives to earned premium presentations

- 'written premium'
 - presents as income the expected present value of all premiums receivable within the boundary of contracts initially recognised in the period.
 - presents as expenses:
 - expected present value of all cash outflows within the boundary of these contracts
 - risk adjustment and residual margin initially recognised as liabilities.

'premiums due'

- allocates written premiums according to periods in which the premiums are expected to be receivable
- expenses (cash flows, risk adjustment and residual margin) allocated on same basis as premiums.

• summarised margin

as described on slide 3, with disclosure of volume measure(s) in notes to accounts.

Example illustrating alternatives

						Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Total
Expected			Cash inflow pattern				400.0	380.0	1200.0
cash flows		Cash	outflow patte	rn	_	-200.0	-350.0	-500.0	-1050.0
and margin		Fulfilr	nent cash flov	VS	=	220.0	50.0	-120.0	150.0
release pattern		Chan	ge in risk adju	stment		32.0	30.0	28.0	90.0
		Chan	ge in residual i	margin	_	23.0	19.0	18.0	60.0
		Profit	:		=	55.0	49.0	46.0	150.0
			Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Total			
Premiums earned			255.0	399.0	546.0	1200.0			
Claims and benefits			-200.0	-350.0	-500.0	-1050.0			
Underwriting result			55.0	49.0	46.0	150.0		Г	
Reconciliation of underw	vriting resul	t		Decis LO	De into	Total		pre	emium esenta
(aisciosures)			Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Ισται			
Change in risk adjustmer	nt		32.0	30.0	28.0	90.0			
Change in residual margi	in		23.0	19.0	18.0	60.0		cCo-	
			55.0	49.0	46.0	150.0		83	╏┣┝┝

Example illustrating alternatives (continued)

Written	
premium	
presentation	

	Recognition	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Total
Premiums written	1200.0	0	0.0	0.0	1200.0
Claims and benefits	-1050.0	0	0.0	0.0	-1050.0
Change in risk adjustment	-90.0	32.0	30.0	28.0	0.0
Change in residual margin	-60.0	23.0	19.0	18.0	0.0
Underwriting result	0.0	55.0	49.0	46.0	150.0

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Total
Premiums due	420.0	400.0	380.0	1200.0
Claims and benefits*	-367.5	-350.0	-332.5	-1050.0
Change in risk adjustment				
Increase in risk adjustment*	-31.5	-30.0	-28.5	-90.0
Release of risk adjustment	32.0	30.0	28.0	90.0
Change in residual margin				
Increase in residual margin*	-21.0	-20.0	-19.0	-60.0
Release of residual margin	23.0	19.0	18.0	60.0
Underwriting result	55.0	49.0	46.0	150.0



* The three amounts asterisked add up to the same amount as premiums due in each period

