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As of October 27, 2014, there were outstanding 540,899,238 shares of common stock, par value $1.00 per share, of the registrant.

INFORMATION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains “forward-looking statements,” as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements, which express management's current views concerning future events or results, use words like “anticipate,” “assume,” “believe,” “continue,” “estimate,” “expect,” “future,” “intend,” “plan,” and similar terms, and future or conditional tense verbs like “could,” “may,” “might,” “should,” “will” and “would.” For examp we may use forward-looking statements when addressing topics such as: the outcome of contingencies; the expected impact of acquisitions and dispositions; the impact of competition; pension obligations; the impact of foreign currency exchange rates; our effective tax rates; changes in our business strategies and methods of generating revenue; the development and performance of our services and products; changes in the composition or level of our revenues; our cost structure, dividend policy, cash flow and liquidity; future actions by regulators; and the impact of changes in accounting rules.

Forward-looking statements are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in our forward-looking statements include, among other things:

- our exposure to potential liabilities arising from errors and omissions claims against us;
- the impact of competition, including with respect to our geographic reach, the sophistication and quality of our services, our pricing relative to competitors, our customers' option to self-insure or use internal resources instead of consultants, and our corporate tax rates relative to a number of our competitors;
- the extent to which we retain existing clients and attract new business, and our ability to incentivize and retain key employees;
- our ability to maintain adequate physical, technical and administrative safeguards to protect the security of confidential information or data, and the potential of a system or network disruption that results in regulatory penalties, remedial costs or the improper disclosure of confidential information or data;
- our exposure to potential criminal sanctions or civil remedies if we fail to comply with foreign and U.S. laws and regulations that are applicable in the domestic and international jurisdictions in which we operate, including evolving sanctions against Russia and existing trade sanctions laws relating to countries such as Cuba, Iran, Sudan and Syria, anti-corruption laws such as the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the U.K. Bribery Act 2010, local laws prohibiting corrupt payments to government officials, as well as import and export restrictions;
- our ability to make acquisitions and dispositions and to integrate, and realize expected synergies, savings or benefits from, the businesses we acquire;
- changes in the funded status of our global defined benefit pension plans and the impact of any increased pension funding resulting from those changes;
- the impact on our net income of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates;
- our ability to successfully recover should we experience a disaster or other business continuity problem, such as an earthquake, hurricane, flood, terrorist attack, pandemic, security breach, cyber attack, power loss, telecommunications failure or other natural or man-made disaster;
- the impact of changes in interest rates and deterioration of counterparty credit quality on our cash balances and the performance of our investment portfolios, including corporate and fiduciary funds;
- the potential impact of rating agency actions on our cost of financing and ability to borrow, as well as on our operating costs and competitive position;
- changes in applicable tax or accounting requirements; and
- potential income statement effects from the application of FASB's ASC Topic No. 740 (“Income Taxes”) regarding accounting treatment of uncertain tax benefits and valuation allowances, including the effect of any subsequent adjustments to the estimates we use in applying this accounting standard.

The factors identified above are not exhaustive. Marsh & McLennan Companies and its subsidiaries operate in a dynamic business environment in which new risks may emerge frequently. Accordingly, we caution readers not to place undue reliance on the above forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the dates on which they are made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances arising after the date on which it is made. Further information concerning Marsh & McLennan Companies and its businesses, including information about factors that could materially affect our results of operations and financial condition, is contained in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the "Risk Factors" section of our most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(In millions, except per share figures)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenue	$3,141	$2,932	$9,705	$9,146
Expense:				
Compensation and benefits	1,904	1,824	5,619	5,393
Other operating expenses	792	704	2,321	2,165
Operating expenses	2,696	2,528	7,940	7,558
Operating income	445	404	1,765	1,588
Interest income	6	5	16	13
Interest expense	(45)	(40)	(129)	(124)
Investment income	26	14	37	58
Income before income taxes	432	383	1,689	1,535
Income tax expense	127	123	487	463
Income from continuing operations	305	260	1,202	1,072
Discontinued operations, net of tax	(1)	(1)	(4)	6
Net income before non-controlling interests	304	259	1,198	1,078
Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests	7	6	27	24
Net income attributable to the Company	$297	$253	$1,171	$1,054
Basic net income per share – Continuing operations	$0.55	$0.46	$2.15	$1.91
– Net income attributable to the Company	$0.55	$0.46	$2.14	$1.92
Diluted net income per share – Continuing operations	$0.54	$0.45	$2.12	$1.88
– Net income attributable to the Company	$0.54	$0.45	$2.11	$1.89
Average number of shares outstanding – Basic	544	549	547	549
– Diluted	551	558	554	558
Shares outstanding at September 30	542	547	542	547

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(In millions)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Net income before non-controlling interests	$304	$259	$1,198	$1,078
Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax:				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(421)	254	(214)	(91)
Unrealized investment loss	—	—	—	(1)
Gain (loss) related to pension/post-retirement plans	172	(37)	(69)	265
Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax	(249)	217	(283)	173
Income tax expense (credit) on other comprehensive income	39	(5)	(9)	79
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(288)	222	(274)	94
Comprehensive income	16	481	924	1,172
Less: comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interest	7	6	27	24
Comprehensive income attributable to the Company	$9	$475	$897	$1,148

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MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In millions, except share and per share figures)	(Unaudited) September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$2,649	$2,303
Receivables		
Commissions and fees	3,266	3,065
Advanced premiums and claims	77	61
Other	258	282
	3,601	3,408
Less-allowance for doubtful accounts and cancellations	(105)	(98)
Net receivables	3,496	3,310
Current deferred tax assets	478	482
Other current assets	229	205
Total current assets	6,852	6,300
Goodwill and intangible assets	7,814	7,365
Fixed assets		
(net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of $1,655 at September 30, 2014 and $1,597 at December 31, 2013)	822	828
Pension related assets	1,007	979
Deferred tax assets	516	626
Other assets	976	882
	$17,987	$16,980

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MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Continued)

(In millions, except share and per share figures)	(Unaudited) September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term debt	$640	$334
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,800	1,861
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	1,338	1,466
Accrued income taxes	199	148
Dividends payable	153	—
Total current liabilities	4,130	3,809
Fiduciary liabilities	4,871	4,234
Less – cash and investments held in a fiduciary capacity	(4,871)	(4,234)
	—	—
Long-term debt	3,379	2,621
Pension, post-retirement and post-employment benefits	1,094	1,150
Liabilities for errors and omissions	355	373
Other liabilities	1,114	1,052
Commitments and contingencies		
Equity:		
Preferred stock, $1 par value, authorized 6,000,000 shares, none issued	—	—
Common stock, $1 par value, authorized 1,600,000,000 shares, issued 560,641,640 shares at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013	561	561
Additional paid-in capital	922	1,028
Retained earnings	10,042	9,452
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,895)	(2,621)
Non-controlling interests	82	70
	8,712	8,490
Less – treasury shares, at cost, 18,346,142 shares at September 30, 2014 and 13,882,204 shares at December 31, 2013	(797)	(515)
Total equity	7,915	7,975
	$17,987	$16,980

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MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, (In millions)	2014	2013
Operating cash flows:		
Net income before non-controlling interests	$1,198	$1,078
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operations:		
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets and capitalized software	225	213
Amortization of intangible assets	64	53
Intangible asset impairment	—	5
Adjustments to acquisition related contingent consideration liability	5	16
Provision for deferred income taxes	103	137
Gain on investments	(37)	(58)
Loss on disposition of assets	4	1
Share based compensation expense	74	100
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Net receivables	(182)	(229)
Other current assets	(19)	(71)
Other assets	16	(60)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(53)	47
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	(128)	(279)
Accrued income taxes	59	39
Contributions to pension and other benefit plans in excess of current year expense/credit	(141)	(400)
Other liabilities	(75)	(15)
Effect of exchange rate changes	28	(2)
Net cash provided by operations	1,141	575
Financing cash flows:		
Purchase of treasury shares	(600)	(400)
Proceeds from debt	1,393	546
Repayments of debt	(327)	(257)
Shares withheld for taxes on vested units – treasury shares	(56)	(74)
Issuance of common stock from treasury shares	190	254
Payments of contingent consideration for acquisitions	(28)	(8)
Distributions of non-controlling interests	(13)	(17)
Dividends paid	(429)	(394)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	130	(350)
Investing cash flows:		
Capital expenditures	(285)	(288)
Net (purchases) sales of long-term investments	(117)	90
Proceeds from sales of fixed assets	2	2
Dispositions	—	3
Acquisitions	(416)	(108)
Other, net	—	2
Net cash used for investing activities	(816)	(299)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(109)	(53)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	346	(127)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	2,303	2,301

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$2,649	$2,174

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MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY
(Unaudited)

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, (In millions, except per share figures)	2014	2013
COMMON STOCK		
Balance, beginning and end of period	$561	$561
ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL		
Balance, beginning of year	$1,028	$1,107
Change in accrued stock compensation costs	(26)	(45)
Issuance of shares under stock compensation plans and employee stock purchase plans and related tax impact	(80)	(52)
Balance, end of period	$922	$1,010
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Balance, beginning of year	$9,452	$8,628
Net income attributable to the Company	1,171	1,054
Dividend equivalents declared - (per share amounts: $1.06 in 2014 and $0.96 in 2013)	(3)	(5)
Dividends declared – (per share amounts: $1.06 in 2014 and $0.96 in 2013)	(578)	(526)
Balance, end of period	$10,042	$9,151
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS		
Balance, beginning of year	$(2,621)	$(3,307)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(274)	94
Balance, end of period	$(2,895)	$(3,213)
TREASURY SHARES		
Balance, beginning of year	$(515)	$(447)
Issuance of shares under stock compensation plans and employee stock purchase plans	318	380
Purchase of treasury shares	(600)	(400)
Balance, end of period	$(797)	$(467)
NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS		
Balance, beginning of year	$70	$64
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests	27	24
Distributions	(13)	(17)
Other changes	(2)	7
Balance, end of period	$82	$78
TOTAL EQUITY	$7,915	$7,120

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MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

1. Nature of Operations

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. ("the Company"), a global professional services firm, is organized based on the different services that it offers. Under this organizational structure, the Company's two business segments are Risk and Insurance Services and Consulting.

The Risk and Insurance Services segment provides risk management activities and insurance broking, reinsurance broking and insurance program management services for businesses, public entities, insurance companies, associations, professional services organizations, and private clients. The Company conducts business in this segment through Marsh and Guy Carpenter.

The Company conducts business in its Consulting segment through two main business groups. Mercer provides consulting expertise, advice, services and solutions in the areas of health, retirement, talent and investments. Within the investments business, Mercer provides delegated investment (fiduciary management) solutions to institutional investors (such as retirement plan sponsors and trustees) and to individual investors (primarily through the inclusion of funds managed by Mercer on defined contribution and wealth management platforms). As of September 30, 2014, Mercer had assets under management of $108 billion worldwide. Oliver Wyman Group provides specialized management and economic and brand consulting services.

Acquisitions impacting the Risk and Insurance Services and Consulting segments are discussed in Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements.

2. Principles of Consolidation and Other Matters

The consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by the Company pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. While certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations for interim filings, the Company believes that the information and disclosures presented are adequate to make such information and disclosures not misleading. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 (the "2013 10-K").

The financial information contained herein reflects all adjustments consisting only of normal recurring adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's consolidated financial statements as of and for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of certificates of deposit and time deposits, with original maturities of three months or less, and money market funds. The estimated fair value of the Company's cash and cash equivalents approximates their carrying value. The Company is required to maintain operating funds of approximately $202 million related to regulatory requirements outside the U.S. or as collateral under captive insurance arrangements.

Investment Income

The caption "Investment income" in the consolidated statements of income comprises realized and unrealized gains and losses from investments recognized in current earnings. It includes, when applicable, other than temporary declines in the value of debt and available for sale securities and the change in value of the Company's holdings in certain private equity funds, including equity method gains (losses) on its investment in the Trident funds. The Company's investments may include direct investments in insurance or consulting companies and investments in private equity funds. The Company recorded investment income of $26 million in the third quarter of 2014 compared to $14 million for the same period in 2013, primarily related to our general partner carried interest from Trident III no longer subject to claw-back. Investment income for the nine months of 2014 was $37 million compared to $58 million in 2013. 2014 includes carried interest from Trident III of $31 million compared with $34 million in 2013. The Company also recorded $20 million of investment gains for the nine months of 2013 related to its investment in Trident II. The Company no longer holds an investment in Trident II. At September 30, 2014 and 2013, the Company had deferred

performance fees of approximately $15 million and $43 million, respectively,

related to Trident III. Recognition of these deferred performance fees will only occur as the Trident III investments are harvested and the performance fees are no longer subject to claw-back. The timing of recognition of the remaining deferred performance fees is unknown and is not controlled by the Company.

Income Taxes

The Company's effective tax rate in the third quarter of 2014 was 29.6% compared with 32.1% in the third quarter of 2013. The effective tax rates for the first nine months of 2014 and 2013 were 28.9% and 30.1%, respectively. These rates reflect non-U.S. income taxed at rates below the U.S. statutory rate, including the effect of repatriation, as well as the impact of discrete tax matters such as changes in judgment about the beginning balance in valuation allowances, the resolution of tax examinations and expirations of statutes of limitations. The rate in the third quarter of 2013 also included the impact of tax changes on the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities.

The Company is routinely examined by tax authorities in the jurisdictions in which it has significant operations. The Company regularly considers the likelihood of assessments in each of the taxing jurisdictions resulting from examinations. When evaluating the potential imposition of penalties, the Company considers a number of relevant factors under penalty statutes, including appropriate disclosure of the tax return position, the existence of legal authority supporting the Company's position, and reliance on the opinion of professional tax advisors.

The Company reports a liability for unrecognized tax benefits resulting from uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in tax returns. The Company's gross unrecognized tax benefits decreased from $128 million at December 31, 2013 to $105 million at September 30, 2014. It is reasonably possible that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits will decrease between zero and approximately $15 million within the next twelve months due to settlements of audits and expirations of statutes of limitation.

During the second quarter of 2014, the Company settled the federal tax audit with the IRS for the year 2012. During the second quarter of 2013, the Company settled federal tax audits with the IRS for the years 2007 and 2009 through 2011.

Reclassifications

In the first quarter of 2014, the Company enhanced its operating cash flow presentation within the statement of cash flows to show on single lines the impact of pension and other benefit plan contributions in excess of the related expenses, and the non-cash impact of equity share awards. Previously, the cash flow impact of those items was presented as part of changes in other assets and other liabilities, and changes in other liabilities, respectively. The prior year's presentation was conformed to the current presentation for the following line items within operating cash flows:

- Share-based compensation expense
- Changes in other assets
- Contributions to pension and other benefit plans in excess of current year expense/credit
- Changes in other liabilities

3. Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities

In its capacity as an insurance broker or agent, the Company collects premiums from insureds and, after deducting its commissions, remits the premiums to the respective insurance underwriters. The Company also collects claims or refunds from underwriters on behalf of insureds. Unremitted insurance premiums and claims proceeds are held by the Company in a fiduciary capacity. Risk and Insurance Services revenue includes interest on fiduciary funds of $18 million and $21 million for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The Consulting segment recorded fiduciary interest income of $5 million and $3 million for the the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Since fiduciary assets are not available for corporate use, they are shown in the consolidated balance sheets as an offset to fiduciary liabilities.

Net uncollected premiums and claims and the related payables amounted to $7.8 billion at September 30, 2014 and $8.2 billion at December 31, 2013. The Company is not a principal to the contracts under which the right to receive premiums or the right to receive reimbursement of insured losses arises. Net uncollected premiums and claims and the related payables are, therefore, not assets and liabilities of the Company and are not included in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

In certain instances, the Company advances premiums, refunds or claims to insurance underwriters or insureds prior to collection. These advances are made from corporate funds and are reflected in the accompanying consolidated balance

sheets as receivables.

Mercer manages approximately $20 billion of assets in trusts or funds for which Mercer's management or trustee fee is considered a variable interest. Mercer is not the primary beneficiary of these trusts or funds. Mercer's only variable interest in any of these trusts or funds is its unpaid fees, if any. Mercer's maximum exposure to loss of its interests is, therefore, limited to collection of its fees.

4. Per Share Data

Basic net income per share attributable to the Company and income from continuing operations per share are calculated by dividing the respective after-tax income by the weighted average number of outstanding shares of the Company's common stock.

Diluted net income per share attributable to the Company and income from continuing operations per share are calculated by dividing the respective after-tax income by the weighted average number of outstanding shares of the Company's common stock, which have been adjusted for the dilutive effect of potentially issuable common shares.

Reconciliations of the applicable income components used for diluted EPS - Continuing operations and basic weighted average common shares outstanding to diluted weighted average common shares outstanding are presented below. The reconciling items related to the calculation of diluted weighted average common shares outstanding are the same for net income attributable to the Company.

Basic and Diluted EPS Calculation - Continuing Operations	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(In millions, except per share figures)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Net income from continuing operations	$305	$260	$1,202	$1,072
Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests	7	6	27	24
	$298	$254	$1,175	$1,048
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	544	549	547	549
Dilutive effect of potentially issuable common shares	7	9	7	9
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	551	558	554	558
Average stock price used to calculate common stock equivalents	$52.15	$42.08	$49.89	$39.15

There were 19.3 million and 24.9 million stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

5. Supplemental Disclosures to the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

The following schedule provides additional information concerning acquisitions, interest and income taxes paid for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.

(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Assets acquired, excluding cash	$598	$199
Liabilities assumed	(45)	(59)
Contingent/deferred purchase consideration	(147)	(37)
Net cash outflow for current year acquisitions	406	103
Purchase of other intangibles	—	1
Deferred purchase consideration from prior years' acquisitions	10	4
Net cash outflow for acquisitions	$416	$108

(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Interest paid	$126	$140
Income taxes paid	$306	$258

The Company had non-cash issuances of common stock of $105 million and $148 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively, primarily related to its share-based payment plans. The Company recorded share-based compensation expense related to equity awards (excluding stock options) of $60 million and $84 million for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

6. Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The changes in the balances of each component of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income ("AOCI") for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, including amounts reclassified out of AOCI, are as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	Unrealized Investment Gains	Pension/Post-Retirement Plans Gains (Losses)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Total
Balance as of July 1, 2014	$5	$ (2,883)	$271	$(2,607)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	—	94	(419)	(325)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	37	—	37
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	—	131	(419)	(288)
Balance as of September 30, 2014	$5	$ (2,752)	$(148)	$(2,895)

(In millions of dollars)	Unrealized Investment Gains	Pension/Post-Retirement Plans Gains (Losses)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Total
Balance as of July 1, 2013	$3	$ (3,238)	$(200)	$(3,435)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	—	(85)	256	171
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	51	—	51
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	—	(34)	256	222
Balance as of September 30, 2013	$3	$ (3,272)	$56	$(3,213)

(In millions of dollars)	Unrealized Investment Gains	Pension/Post-Retirement Plans Gains (Losses)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2014	$5	$ (2,682)	$56	$(2,621)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	—	(174)	(204)	(378)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	104	—	104
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	—	(70)	(204)	(274)
Balance as of September 30, 2014	$5	$ (2,752)	$(148)	$(2,895)

(In millions of dollars)	Unrealized Investment Gains	Pension/Post-Retirement Plans Gains (Losses)	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2013	$4	$ (3,451)	$140	$(3,307)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	(1)	36	(84)	(49)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income	—	143	—	143

Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	(1)	179	(84)	94
Balance as of September 30, 2013	$3	$ (3,272)	$56	$(3,213)

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The components of other comprehensive income (loss) for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

Three Months Ended September 30,	2014			2013		
(In millions of dollars)	Pre-Tax	Tax	Net of Tax	Pre-Tax	Tax	Net of Tax
Foreign currency translation adjustments	$(421)	$(2)	$(419)	$254	$(2)	$256
Unrealized investment gains (losses)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pension/post-retirement plans:						
Amortization of losses (gains) included in net periodic pension cost:						
Prior service gains (a)	(3)	(1)	(2)	(6)	(2)	(4)
Net actuarial losses (a)	57	18	39	81	26	55
Subtotal	54	17	37	75	24	51
Effect of remeasurement	(1)	(1)	—	—	—	—
Effect of curtailment	—	—	—	—	—	—
Foreign currency translation adjustments	119	25	94	(106)	(25)	(81)
Other	—	—	—	(6)	(2)	(4)
Pension/post-retirement plans (losses) gains	172	41	131	(37)	(3)	(34)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	$(249)	$39	$(288)	$217	$(5)	$222

(a) Components of net periodic pension cost are included in compensation and benefits in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Tax on prior service gains and net actuarial losses is included in income tax expense.

Nine Months Ended September 30,	2014			2013		
(In millions of dollars)	Pre-Tax	Tax	Net of Tax	Pre-Tax	Tax	Net of Tax
Foreign currency translation adjustments	$(214)	$(10)	$(204)	$(91)	$(7)	$(84)
Unrealized investment gains (losses)	—	—	—	(1)	—	(1)
Pension/post-retirement plans:						
Amortization of losses (gains) included in net periodic pension cost:						
Prior service gains (a)	(8)	(3)	(5)	(17)	(6)	(11)
Net actuarial losses (a)	157	48	109	237	83	154
Subtotal	149	45	104	220	77	143
Effect of remeasurement	(167)	(34)	(133)	—	—	—
Effect of curtailment	(65)	(13)	(52)	—	—	—
Foreign currency translation adjustments	11	3	8	51	11	40
Other	3	—	3	(6)	(2)	(4)
Pension/post-retirement plans (losses) gains	(69)	1	(70)	265	86	179
Other comprehensive (loss) income	$(283)	$(9)	$(274)	$173	$79	$94

(a) Components of net periodic pension cost are included in compensation and benefits in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Tax on prior service gains and net actuarial losses is included in income tax expense.

7. Acquisitions

The Company completed 12 acquisitions during the first nine months of 2014.

- January - Marsh & McLennan Agency ("MMA") acquired Barney & Barney, a San Diego-based insurance broking firm that provides insurance, risk management, and employee benefits solutions to businesses and individuals throughout the U.S. and abroad. Also in January, Marsh acquired Central Insurance Services, an independent insurance broker in Scotland that provides insurance broking and risk advisory services to companies of all sizes across industry sectors.
- February - MMA acquired Great Lakes Employee Benefits Services, Inc., an employee group benefits consulting and brokerage firm based in Michigan, and Bond Network, Inc., a surety bonding agency based in North Carolina.
- March - MMA acquired Capstone Insurance Services, LLC, an agency that provides property/casualty insurance and risk management solutions to businesses and individuals throughout South Carolina, and Mercer acquired Transition Assist, a retiree exchange specializing in helping retirees in employer-sponsored plans select Medicare supplemental health care insurance.
- May - MMA acquired Kinker-Eveleigh Insurance Agency, an Ohio-based agency specializing in property-casualty and employee benefits solutions, and VISICOR, a full-service employee benefits brokerage and consulting firm based in Texas.
- June - MMA acquired Senn Dunn Insurance, a full service insurance brokerage located in North Carolina.
- July - Marsh acquired Seguros Morrice y Urrutia S.A., an insurance broker based in Panama City, Panama.
- September - Marsh acquired Kocisko Insurance Brokers, Inc., an insurance agency located in Montreal, Quebec; and Oliver Wyman acquired Bonfire Communications, an agency specializing in employee engagement and internal communications based in San Francisco, California.

Total purchase consideration for acquisitions made during the first nine months of 2014 was $573 million, which consisted of cash paid of $426 million and deferred purchase and estimated contingent consideration of $147 million. Contingent consideration arrangements are primarily based on EBITDA and revenue targets over periods ranging from two to four years. The fair value of the contingent consideration was based on projected revenue and earnings of the acquired entities. The estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are subject to adjustment when purchase accounting is finalized. The Company also paid $10 million of deferred purchase consideration and $40 million of contingent consideration related to acquisitions made in prior years.

The following table presents the preliminary allocation of the acquisition cost to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed during 2014 based on their fair values:

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014	
(Amounts in millions)	
Cash	$426
Estimated fair value of deferred/contingent consideration	147
Total Consideration	$573
Allocation of purchase price:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$20
Accounts receivable, net	6
Other current assets	—
Property, plant, and equipment	4
Intangible assets	233
Goodwill	350
Other assets	5
Total assets acquired	618
Current liabilities	36
Other liabilities	9
Total liabilities assumed	45
Net assets acquired	$573

Prior Year Acquisitions

The Risk and Insurance Services segment completed six acquisitions during 2013.

- June - Marsh acquired Rehder y Asociados Group, an insurance adviser in Peru. The business includes the insurance broker Rehder y Asociados and employee health and benefits specialist, Humanasalud. Marsh also completed the acquisition of Franco & Acra Tecniseguros, an insurance advisor in the Dominican Republic.
- July - Guy Carpenter acquired Smith Group, a specialist disability reinsurance risk manager and consultant based in Maine.
- September - Marsh purchased an additional stake in Insia a.s., an insurance broker operating in the Czech Republic and Slovakia which, when combined with its prior holdings, gave Marsh a controlling interest. Insia a.s. was previously accounted for under the equity method.
- November - MMA acquired Elsey & Associates, a Texas-based provider of surety bonds and insurance coverage to the construction industry.
- December - MMA acquired Cambridge Property and Casualty, a Michigan-based company providing insurance and risk management services to high net worth individuals and mid-sized businesses.

The Consulting segment completed two acquisitions during 2013.

- July - Oliver Wyman acquired Corven, a U.K.-based management consultancy firm.
- August - Mercer acquired Global Remuneration Solutions, a market leading compensation consulting firm based in South Africa.

Total purchase consideration for acquisitions made during the first nine months of 2013 was $156 million, which consisted of cash paid of $119 million and deferred purchase and estimated contingent consideration of $37 million. Contingent consideration arrangements are primarily based on EBITDA and revenue targets over periods ranging from two to four years. The fair value of the contingent consideration was based on projected revenue and earnings of the acquired entities. The estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are subject to adjustment when purchase accounting is finalized. The Company also paid $4 million of deferred purchase consideration and $8 million of contingent consideration related to acquisitions made in prior years.

Pro-Forma Information

While the Company does not believe its acquisitions made during the first nine months of 2014 and 2013 are material in the aggregate, the following unaudited pro-forma financial data gives effect to the acquisitions made by the Company. In accordance with accounting guidance related to pro-forma disclosure, the information presented for the 2014 acquisitions is as if they occurred on January 1, 2013 and reflects acquisitions made in 2013 as if they occurred on January 1, 2012. The unaudited pro-forma information adjusts for the effects of amortization of acquired intangibles. The unaudited pro-forma financial data is presented for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of the operating results that would have been achieved if such acquisitions had occurred on the dates indicated, nor is it necessarily indicative of future consolidated results.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(In millions, except per share figures)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Revenue	$3,143	$2,981	$9,744	$9,338
Income from continuing operations	$305	$263	$1,205	$1,085
Net income attributable to the Company	$298	$256	$1,174	$1,067
Basic net income per share:				
– Continuing operations	$0.55	$0.47	$2.15	$1.93
– Net income attributable to the Company	$0.55	$0.47	$2.15	$1.94
Diluted net income per share:				
– Continuing operations	$0.54	$0.46	$2.13	$1.90
– Net income attributable to the Company	$0.54	$0.46	$2.12	$1.91

The consolidated statements of income include the results of operations of acquired companies since their respective acquisition dates. The consolidated statement of income for the three- and nine-month periods ending September 30, 2014 includes approximately $46 million of revenue and $5 million of net operating income and approximately $104 million of revenue and $11 million of net operating income, respectively, related to acquisitions made in 2014.

Equity Investment

On June 23, 2014, Mercer announced that it had entered into a definitive agreement to acquire a 34% stake in South Africa-based Alexander Forbes Group Holdings Limited ("Alexander Forbes"), becoming a strategic shareholder after Alexander Forbes successfully launched an initial public offering. Mercer purchased its stake in Alexander Forbes in two tranches at 7.50 South African Rand per share. On July 24, 2014, the Company purchased 14.9% of Alexander Forbes common shares for approximately $137 million, which is included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets. The investment in Alexander Forbes is accounted for using the equity method and included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheet. In October 2014, the Company paid approximately $166 million for the remaining 19.1% of Alexander Forbes common shares.

Alexander Forbes principally focuses on employee benefits and investment solutions for institutional clients, and financial wellbeing and retail financial solutions for individual clients. Services include retirement funds and investment consulting, actuarial and administration services, employee risk benefits and health-care consulting, multi-manager investments solutions, and personal lines and business insurance. The range of services provided by Alexander Forbes aligns closely with Mercer's global business.

8. Dispositions

Summarized Statements of Income data for discontinued operations is as follows:

(In millions of dollars, except per share figures)	Three Months Ended September 30, 2014	Three Months Ended September 30, 2013	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013
Disposals of discontinued operations	$(1)	$—	$(1)	$(5)
Income tax expense (credit)	—	1	3	(11)
Disposals of discontinued operations, net of tax	(1)	(1)	(4)	6
Discontinued operations, net of tax	$(1)	$(1)	$(4)	$6
Discontinued operations, net of tax per share				
– Basic	$—	$—	$(0.01)	$0.01
– Diluted	$—	$—	$(0.01)	$0.01

The nine month period ended September 30, 2013 includes estimated costs under the indemnity related to the Kroll sale and tax indemnities related to the Putnam sale.

9. Goodwill and Other Intangibles

The Company is required to assess goodwill and any indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually, or more frequently if circumstances indicate impairment may have occurred. The Company performs the annual impairment test for each of its reporting units during the third quarter of each year. In accordance with applicable accounting guidance, the Company assesses qualitative factors to determine whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test. The Company considered numerous factors, which included that the fair value of each reporting unit exceeded its fair value by a substantial margin in its most recent estimate of reporting unit fair values, whether significant acquisitions or dispositions occurred which might alter the fair value of its reporting units, macroeconomic conditions and their potential impact on reporting unit fair values, actual performance compared with budget and prior projections used in its estimation of reporting unit fair values, industry and market conditions, and the year-over year change in the Company's share price. The Company completed its qualitative assessment in the third quarter of 2014 and concluded that a two-step goodwill impairment test was not required in 2014, that goodwill was not impaired, and that each reporting unit's fair value exceeded its carrying value by a substantial margin.

Other intangible assets that are not deemed to have an indefinite life are amortized over their estimated lives and reviewed for impairment upon the occurrence of certain triggering events in accordance with applicable accounting literature.

Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill are as follows:

September 30, (In millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Balance as of January 1, as reported	$6,893	$6,792
Goodwill acquired	350	93
Other adjustments[(a)]	(64)	(20)
Balance at September 30,	$7,179	$6,865

(a) Primarily reflects the impact of foreign exchange in each period.

Goodwill allocable to the Company's reportable segments at September 30, 2014 is as follows: Risk & Insurance Services, $5 billion and Consulting, $2.2 billion.

Amortized intangible assets consist of the cost of client lists, client relationships and trade names acquired. The gross cost and accumulated amortization are as follows:

	September 30, 2014			December 31, 2013		
(In millions of dollars)	Gross Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount
Amortized intangibles	$1,093	$458	$635	$888	$416	$472

The company recorded an intangible asset impairment of $5 million in the third quarter of 2013 in the Risk & Insurance Services segment.

Aggregate amortization expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was $64 million and $53 million, respectively. The estimated future aggregate amortization expense is as follows:

For the Years Ending December 31, (In millions of dollars)	Estimated Expense
2014 (excludes amortization through September 30, 2014)	$23
2015	87
2016	76
2017	69
2018	67
Subsequent years	313
	$635

10. Fair Value Measurements

Fair Value Hierarchy

The Company has categorized its assets and liabilities that are valued at fair value on a recurring basis into a three-level fair value hierarchy as defined by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") in Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic No. 820 ("Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures"). The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities (Level 1) and lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). In some cases, the inputs used to measure fair value might fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy, for disclosure purposes, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Assets and liabilities recorded in the consolidated balance sheets at fair value are categorized based on the inputs in the valuation techniques as follows:

Level 1. Assets and liabilities whose values are based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in an active market (examples include active exchange-traded equity securities and money market mutual funds).

Assets and liabilities utilizing Level 1 inputs include exchange-traded equity securities and mutual funds.

Level 2. Assets and liabilities whose values are based on the following:

a) Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;

b) Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in non-active markets (examples include corporate and municipal bonds, which trade infrequently);

c) Pricing models whose inputs are observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability (examples include most over-the-counter derivatives, including interest rate and currency swaps); and

d) Pricing models whose inputs are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data through correlation or other means for substantially the full asset or liability (for example, certain mortgage loans).

Assets and liabilities utilizing Level 2 inputs include corporate and municipal bonds, senior notes and interest rate swaps.

Level 3.	Assets and liabilities whose values are based on prices, or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. These inputs reflect management's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in pricing the asset or liability (examples include private equity investments, certain commercial mortgage whole loans, and long-dated or complex derivatives including certain foreign exchange options and long-dated options on gas and power).

Liabilities utilizing Level 3 inputs include liabilities for contingent purchase consideration.

Valuation Techniques

Equity Securities and Mutual Funds - Level 1

Investments for which market quotations are readily available are valued at the sale price on their principal exchange, or official closing bid price for certain markets.

Interest Rate Swap Derivatives - Level 2

The fair value of interest rate swap derivatives is based on the present value of future cash flows at each valuation date resulting from utilization of the swaps, using a constant discount rate of 1.6% compared to discount rates based on projected future yield curves. The Company settled its interest rate swap positions in July 2014.

Senior Notes due July 2014 - Level 2

In the first quarter of 2011, the Company entered into two interest rate swaps to convert interest on a portion of its Senior Notes from a fixed rate to a floating rate. The swaps are designated as fair value hedging instruments. The change in the fair value of the swaps is recorded on the balance sheet. The carrying value of the debt related to these swaps is adjusted by an equal amount. The $250 million of Senior Notes that were tied to the interest rate swaps discussed above matured in July 2014.

Contingent Consideration Liability - Level 3

Purchase consideration for some acquisitions made by the Company includes contingent consideration arrangements. Contingent consideration arrangements are primarily based on meeting EBITDA and revenue targets over periods ranging from two to four years. The fair value of contingent consideration is estimated as the present value of future cash flows resulting from the projected revenue and earnings of the acquired entities.

The following fair value hierarchy table presents information about the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013.

	Identical Assets (Level 1)		Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		Total	
(In millions of dollars)	09/30/14	12/31/13	09/30/14	12/31/13	09/30/14	12/31/13	09/30/14	12/31/13
Assets:								
Financial instruments owned:								
Mutual funds[(a)]	$150	$154	$—	$—	$—	$—	$150	$154
Money market funds[(b)]	348	45	—	—	—	—	348	45
Interest rate swap derivatives[(c)]	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3
Total assets measured at fair value	$498	$199	$—	$3	$—	$—	$498	$202
Fiduciary Assets:								
Money market funds	$77	$—	$—	$—	$—	$—	$77	$—
Total fiduciary assets measured at fair value	$77	$—	$—	$—	$—	$—	$77	$—
Liabilities:								
Contingent purchase consideration liability[(d)]	$—	$—	$—	$—	$151	$104	$151	$104
Senior Notes due 2014[(e)]	—	—	—	253	—	—	—	253
Total liabilities measured at fair value	$—	$—	$—	$253	$151	$104	$151	$357

(a) Included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets.
(b) Included in cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated balance sheets.
(c) Included in other receivables in the consolidated balance sheets.
(d) Included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities and other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets.
(e) Included in long-term debt in the consolidated balance sheets.

During the nine-month period ended September 30, 2014, there were no assets or liabilities that were transferred between any of the levels.

The table below sets forth a summary of the changes in fair value of the Company's Level 3 liabilities as of September 30, 2014 and 2013 that represent contingent consideration related to acquisitions:

(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013
Balance at January 1,	$104	$63
Additions	70	21
Payments	(40)	(8)
Revaluation Impact	17	16
Balance at September 30,	$151	$92

The fair value of the contingent liability is based on projections of revenue and earnings for the acquired entities that are reassessed on a quarterly basis. As set forth in the table above, based on the Company's ongoing assessment of the fair value of contingent consideration, the Company recorded a net increase in the estimated fair value of such liabilities for prior-period acquisitions of $17 million in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2014. A 5% increase in the above mentioned projections would increase the liability by approximately $22 million. A 5% decrease in the above mentioned projections would decrease the liability by approximately $25 million.

11. Retirement Benefits

The Company maintains qualified and non-qualified defined benefit pension plans for its U.S. and non-U.S. eligible employees. The Company's policy for funding its tax qualified defined benefit retirement plans is to contribute amounts at least sufficient to meet the funding requirements set forth by U.S. law and the laws of the non-U.S. jurisdictions in which the Company offers defined benefit plans.

The target asset allocation for the U.S. Plan was 58% equities and equity alternatives and 42% fixed income and at September 30, 2014, the actual allocation for the U.S. Plan was 57% equities and equity alternatives and 43% fixed income. The target asset allocation for the U.K. Plans, which comprises approximately 82% of non-U.S. Plan assets, is 50% equities and equity alternatives and 50% fixed income. As of September 30, 2014, the actual allocation for the U.K. Plans was 45% equities and equity alternatives and 55% fixed income. The assets of the Company's defined benefit plans are diversified and are managed in accordance with applicable laws and with the goal of maximizing the plans' real return within acceptable risk parameters. The Company generally uses threshold-based portfolio re-balancing to ensure the actual portfolio remains consistent with target asset allocation ranges. Effective as of October 17, 2014, the target asset allocation for the U.S. Plan was changed to 62% equities and equity alternatives and 38% fixed income.

After completion of a consultation period with affected colleagues, in January 2014, the Company amended its U.K. defined benefit pension plans to close those plans to future benefit accruals effective August 1, 2014 and replaced those plans, along with its existing defined contribution plans, with a new, comprehensive defined contribution arrangement. This change resulted in a curtailment of the U.K. defined benefit plans, and as required under GAAP, the Company re-measured the defined benefit plans' assets and liabilities at the amendment date, based on assumptions and market conditions at that date. As a result of the re-measurement, the projected benefit obligation ("PBO") increased by approximately $147 million and the funded status decreased by approximately $137 million. The change in the PBO and in the funded status relates primarily to a decrease in the discount rate at the re-measurement date. The net periodic benefit costs recognized in 2014 are the weighted average resulting from the December 31, 2013 measurement and the January 2014 re-measurement. The Company recognized a curtailment gain of $65 million in the first quarter of 2014, primarily resulting from the recognition of the remaining unamortized prior service credit related to a plan amendment made in December 2012. This gain was mostly offset by the cost of a transition benefit for certain employees most impacted by the amendment, which is not part of net periodic pension cost.

The components of the net periodic benefit cost for defined benefit and other post-retirement plans are as follows:

Combined U.S. and significant non-U.S. Plans	Pension		Postretirement	
For the Three Months Ended September 30,	Benefits		Benefits	
(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Service cost	$49	$63	$2	$2
Interest cost	163	144	3	2
Expected return on plan assets	(251)	(227)	—	—
Amortization of prior service credit	(2)	(5)	—	—
Recognized actuarial loss	55	79	(1)	—
Net periodic benefit cost	$14	$54	$4	$4

Combined U.S. and significant non-U.S. Plans	Pension		Postretirement	
For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	Benefits		Benefits	
(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Service cost	$172	$188	$4	$4
Interest cost	485	433	9	8
Expected return on plan assets	(749)	(680)	—	—
Amortization of prior service credit	(8)	(16)	—	—
Recognized actuarial loss	159	237	(1)	1
Net periodic benefit cost	$59	$162	$12	$13
Curtailment (credit)	(65)	—	—	—
Total cost (credit)	$(6)	$162	$12	$13

U.S. Plans only	Pension		Postretirement	
For the Three Months Ended September 30,	Benefits		Benefits	
(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Service cost	$23	$26	$1	$1
Interest cost	65	57	2	1
Expected return on plan assets	(87)	(81)	—	—
Amortization of prior service credit	(1)	(4)	—	—
Recognized actuarial loss	31	52	(1)	—
Net periodic benefit cost	$31	$50	$2	$2

U.S. Plans only	Pension		Postretirement	
For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	Benefits		Benefits	
(In millions of dollars)	2014	2013	2014	2013
Service cost	$68	$78	$2	$2
Interest cost	190	171	6	5
Expected return on plan assets	(260)	(243)	—	—
Amortization of prior service credit	(5)	(12)	—	—
Recognized actuarial loss (gain)	84	156	(2)	—
Net periodic benefit cost	$77	$150	$6	$7

Significant non-U.S. Plans only For the Three Months Ended September 30, (In millions of dollars)	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Service cost	$26	$37	$1	$1
Interest cost	98	87	1	1
Expected return on plan assets	(164)	(146)	—	—
Amortization of prior service credit	(1)	(1)	—	—
Recognized actuarial loss	24	27	—	—
Net periodic benefit cost	$(17)	$4	$2	$2

Significant non-U.S. Plans only For the Nine Months Ended September 30, (In millions of dollars)	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Service cost	$104	$110	$2	$2
Interest cost	295	262	3	3
Expected return on plan assets	(489)	(437)	—	—
Amortization of prior service cost	(3)	(4)	—	—
Recognized actuarial loss	75	81	1	1
Net periodic benefit cost	$(18)	$12	$6	$6
Curtailment (credit)	(65)	—	—	—
Total cost (credit)	$(83)	$12	$6	$6

The weighted average actuarial assumptions utilized to calculate the net periodic benefit costs for the U.S. and significant non-U.S. defined benefit plans are as follows:

Combined U.S. and significant non-U.S. Plans	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
September 30,	2014	2013	2014	2013
Weighted average assumptions:				
Expected return on plan assets	7.53%	7.66%	—%	—%
Discount rate	4.74%	4.38%	5.03%	4.32%
Rate of compensation increase	2.64%	2.43%	—%	—%

The Company made approximately $140 million of contributions to its U.S. and non-U.S. defined benefit plans in the first nine months of 2014. The Company expects to contribute approximately $43 million to its non-qualified U.S. pension and non-U.S. pension plans during the remainder of 2014.

12. Debt

The Company’s outstanding debt is as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Short-term:		
Current portion of long-term debt	$640	$334
Long-term:		
Senior notes – 5.875% due 2033	297	297
Senior notes – 5.375% due 2014	—	323
Senior notes – 5.75% due 2015	230	230
Senior notes – 2.30% due 2017	249	249
Senior notes – 9.25% due 2019	399	399
Senior notes – 4.80% due 2021	497	497
Senior notes – 2.55% due 2018	249	248
Senior notes – 4.05% due 2023	248	247
Senior notes – 3.50% due 2024	595	—
Senior notes – 2.35% due 2019	300	—
Senior notes – 3.50% due 2025	498	—
Mortgage – 5.70% due 2035	405	413
Term Loan Facility - due 2016	50	50
Other	2	2
	4,019	2,955
Less current portion	640	334
	$3,379	$2,621

The senior notes in the table above are publicly registered by the Company with no guarantees attached.

In September 2014, the Company issued $300 million of 2.35% five-year senior notes and $500 million of 3.50% 10.5 year senior notes. In October 2014, a significant portion of the net proceeds of this offering were used to redeem $630 million of debt, including $230 million of 5.75% senior notes due in September 2015 and $400 million of 9.25% senior notes due in 2019. Total cash outflow related to this transaction was approximately $765 million, which included approximately $135 million cost for early redemption, which will be reflected as a charge in the consolidated statements of income in the fourth quarter of 2014.

In May 2014, the Company issued $600 million of 3.50% ten-year senior notes. The net proceeds of this offering were used for general corporate purposes, which included the repayment of $320 million of the existing 5.375% senior notes, which matured on July 15, 2014.

In September 2013, the Company issued $250 million of 2.55% five-year senior notes and $250 million of 4.05% ten-year senior notes. The net proceeds of this offering were used for general corporate purposes, which included a partial redemption of $250 million of the outstanding principal amount of the existing 5.75% senior notes due 2015. The redemption settled in October 2013 with a total cash outflow of approximately $275 million, which included a $24 million cost for early redemption.

In February 2013, the Company repaid its 4.850% $250 million senior notes.

On March 28, 2014, the Company and certain of its foreign subsidiaries amended its $1.0 billion facility as discussed below into a $1.2 billion multi-currency five-year unsecured revolving credit facility. The interest rate on this facility is based on LIBOR plus a fixed margin which varies with the Company's credit ratings. This facility expires in March 2019 and requires the Company to maintain certain coverage and leverage ratios which are tested quarterly. There were no borrowings outstanding under this facility at September 30, 2014.

The Company and certain of its foreign subsidiaries previously maintained a $1.0 billion multi-currency five-year revolving credit facility. The facility was previously due to expire in October 2016 and was in effect until March 2014. There were no borrowings outstanding under this facility at the time it was amended.

In December 2012, the Company closed on a $50 million, three-year term loan facility. The interest rate on this facility at September 30, 2014 was 1.15%, which is based on LIBOR plus a fixed margin which varies with the Company's credit ratings. The facility requires the Company to maintain coverage ratios and leverage ratios consistent with the revolving credit facility discussed above. The Company had $50 million of borrowings under this facility at September 30, 2014.

Fair Value of Short-term and Long-term Debt

The estimated fair value of the Company's short-term and long-term debt is provided below. Certain estimates and judgments were required to develop the fair value amounts. The fair value amounts shown below are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company would realize upon disposition, nor do they indicate the Company's intent or need to dispose of the financial instrument.

(In millions of dollars)	September 30, 2014		December 31, 2013	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Short-term debt	$640	$776	$334	$334
Long-term debt	$3,379	$3,500	$2,621	$2,819

The fair value of the Company's short-term debt, which at September 30, 2014 primarily consists of debt that was extinguished in October 2014, is based on the cost to extinguish. In 2013, short-term debt consists primarily of term debt maturing within the next year, and its fair value approximates its carrying value. The estimated fair value of a primary portion of the Company's long-term debt is based on discounted future cash flows using current interest rates available for debt with similar terms and remaining maturities. Short- and long-term debt would be classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

13. Restructuring Costs

The Company recorded total restructuring costs of $10 million in the first nine months of 2014 primarily due to severance and future rent under non-cancelable leases. These costs were incurred in Corporate.

Details of the restructuring activity from January 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, which includes liabilities from actions prior to 2014, are as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	Liability at 1/1/13	Amounts Accrued	Cash Paid	Other	Liability at 12/31/13	Amounts Accrued	Cash Paid	Other	Liability at 9/30/14
Severance	$36	$9	$(33)	$(1)	$11	$4	$(7)	$(1)	$7
Future rent under non-cancelable leases and other costs	134	13	(32)	(2)	113	6	(27)	(1)	91
Total	$170	$22	$(65)	$(3)	$124	$10	$(34)	$(2)	$98

The expenses associated with the above initiatives are included in compensation and benefits and other operating expenses in the consolidated statements of income. The liabilities associated with these initiatives are classified on the consolidated balance sheets as accounts payable, other liabilities, or accrued compensation, depending on the nature of the items.

14. Common Stock

During the first nine months of 2014, the Company repurchased approximately 11.8 million shares of its common stock for consideration of $600 million. In May 2014, the Board of Directors of the Company authorized share repurchases of up to $2 billion of the Company's common stock. The Company remains authorized to purchase additional shares of its common stock up to a value of $1.5 billion. There is no time limit on the authorization. During the first nine months of 2013, the Company repurchased 10 million shares of its common stock for consideration of $400 million.

15. Claims, Lawsuits and Other Contingencies

Errors and Omissions Claims

The Company and its subsidiaries are subject to a significant number of claims, lawsuits and proceedings in the ordinary course of business. Such claims and lawsuits consist principally of alleged errors and omissions in connection with the performance of professional services, including the placement of insurance, the provision of actuarial services for corporate and public sector clients, the provision of investment advice and investment management services to pension plans, the provision of advice relating to pension buy-out transactions and the provision of consulting services relating to the drafting and interpretation of trust deeds and other documentation governing pension plans. Errors and omissions claims may seek damages, including punitive and treble damages, in amounts that could, if awarded, be significant. In establishing liabilities for errors and omissions claims in accordance with FASB ASC Subtopic No. 450-20 (Contingencies-Loss Contingencies), the Company utilizes case level reviews by inside and outside counsel, an internal actuarial analysis and other analysis to estimate potential losses. A liability is established when a loss is both probable and reasonably estimable. The liability is reviewed quarterly and adjusted as developments warrant. In many cases, the Company has not recorded a liability, other than for legal fees to defend the claim, because we are unable, at the present time, to make a determination that a loss is both probable and reasonably estimable.

To the extent that expected losses exceed our deductible in any policy year, the Company also records an asset for the amount that we expect to recover under any available third-party insurance programs. The Company has varying levels of third-party insurance coverage, with policy limits and coverage terms varying significantly by policy year.

Governmental Inquiries and Related Claims

In January 2005, the Company and its subsidiary Marsh Inc. (the predecessor entity to Marsh LLC) entered into a settlement agreement with the New York State Attorney General (“NYAG”) and the New York State Insurance Department to settle a civil complaint and related citation regarding Marsh's use of market service agreements with various insurance companies. The parties subsequently entered into an amended and restated settlement agreement in February 2010 that restored a level playing field for Marsh.

Numerous private party lawsuits based on similar allegations to those made in the NYAG complaint were commenced against the Company, one or more of its subsidiaries, and their current and former directors and officers. All but one of these matters have been resolved.

Our activities are regulated under the laws of the United States and its various states, the European Union and its member states, and the other jurisdictions in which the Company operates. In the ordinary course of business, the Company is also subject to subpoenas, investigations, lawsuits and/or other regulatory actions undertaken by governmental authorities. In this regard, in November 2013, Mercer received a subpoena from the New York Department of Financial Services in connection with a review of New York's public pension funds.

Other Contingencies-Guarantees

In connection with its acquisition of U.K.-based Sedgwick Group in 1998, the Company acquired several insurance underwriting businesses that were already in run-off, including River Thames Insurance Company Limited (“River Thames”), which the Company sold in 2001. Sedgwick guaranteed payment of claims on certain policies underwritten through the Institute of London Underwriters (the “ILU”) by River Thames. The policies covered by this guarantee are reinsured up to £40 million by a related party of River Thames. Payment of claims under the reinsurance agreement is collateralized by segregated assets held in a trust. As of September 30, 2014, the reinsurance coverage exceeded the best estimate of the projected liability of the policies covered by the guarantee. To the extent River Thames or the reinsurer is unable to meet its obligations under those policies, a claimant may seek to recover from us under the

guarantee.

From 1980 to 1983, the Company owned indirectly the English & American Insurance Company (“E&A”), which was a member of the ILU. The ILU required the Company to guarantee a portion of E&A's obligations. After E&A became insolvent in 1993, the ILU agreed to discharge the guarantee in exchange for the Company's agreement to post an evergreen letter of credit that is available to pay claims by policyholders on certain E&A policies issued through the ILU and incepting between July 3, 1980 and October 6, 1983. Certain claims have been paid under the letter of credit and we anticipate that additional claimants may seek to recover against the letter of credit.

Kroll-related Matters

Under the terms of a stock purchase agreement with Altegrity, Inc. (“Altegrity”) related to Altegrity's purchase of Kroll from the Company in August 2010, a copy of which is attached as an exhibit to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2010, the Company agreed to provide a limited indemnity to Altegrity with respect to certain Kroll-related litigation and regulatory matters.

The pending proceedings and other matters described in this Note 15 on Claims, Lawsuits and Other Contingencies may expose the Company or its subsidiaries to liability for significant monetary damages and other forms of relief. Where a loss is both probable and reasonably estimable, the Company establishes liabilities in accordance with FASB ASC Subtopic No. 450-20 (Contingencies - Loss Contingencies). Except as described above, the Company is not able at this time to provide a reasonable estimate of the range of possible loss attributable to these matters or the impact they may have on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows. This is primarily because these matters are still developing and involve complex issues subject to inherent uncertainty. Adverse determinations in one or more of these matters could have a material impact on the Company's consolidated results of operations, financial condition or cash flows in a future period.