

# Conduit Holdings Limited

**Q3 2024 Trading Update** 6 November 2024



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# Q3 2024 trading update: sustained market opportunities

#### Measured growth in gross premiums written, focused on classes with most attractive margins

- Gross premiums written of \$957.3 million for the nine months ended 30 September 2024, surpassing full year 2023 premium totals
- Year-on-year growth of 25.2%, with Property +32.9%, Casualty +2.0% and Specialty +39.3%
- Attractive market to continue to deploy capacity

### Active period for smaller and mid-sized natural catastrophe and large risk events

- In aggregate, our estimated net loss<sup>1</sup> for large loss events recorded in the third quarter was approximately \$50 million
- Following the loss events of the third quarter, our undiscounted combined ratio was in the mid-90s on a year-to-date basis through 30
   September 2024
- In October, Hurricane Milton made landfall in Florida; while we are in early stages of assessing the loss, we expect it to result in a net loss¹ in the range of \$30-50 million

#### Technical rates remain broadly stable at attractive levels with favourable outlook

- Risk-adjusted rate change, net of inflation, year-to-date through 30 September 2024 was +1% across the portfolio
- By division, risk-adjusted rate change was +3% in Property, -1% in Casualty and +1% in Specialty
- Recent catastrophe and risk events, as well as industry legacy reserve development, to support a resilient pricing outlook

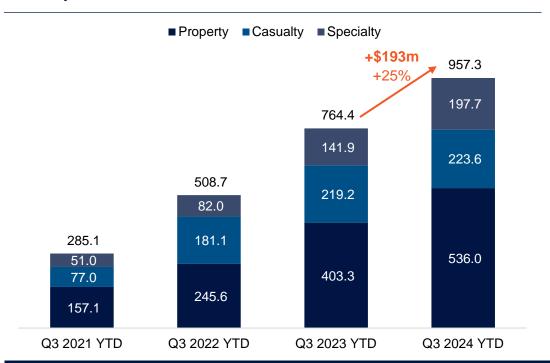
### Trusted partner for clients, seeing a robust flow of business across classes

- Strong origination and selective risk approach across our multi-line platform
- Continue to partner with clients who are committed to strong data sharing standards and underwriting integrity



# 25% increase in gross premiums written

#### Gross premiums written<sup>1</sup>, \$m



#### Cumulative risk-adjusted rate change, net of inflation<sup>2</sup>



Balanced portfolio construction allows for broad opportunity set; front-loaded growth is supported by strong renewal retention, select new business and underlying portfolio growth +1% risk-adjusted rate change<sup>2</sup> across Conduit Re; technical pricing levels expected to remain attractive to deploy capacity further Reinsurance revenue growth of 30% to \$588 million (2023: \$451 million)



<sup>1.</sup> Gross premiums written now exclude reinstatement premiums to ensure consistency with the IFRS 17 view of revenue

<sup>2.</sup> Net rate changes are on a year-to-date basis and reflect management's assessment of rate changes of our renewal business net of the impact of claims inflation, exposure changes and changes in any other terms and conditions

# 33% increase in gross premiums written in Property

## Gross premiums written<sup>1</sup>, \$m



#### Cumulative risk-adjusted rate change, net of inflation<sup>2</sup>



Quota share focused portfolio that includes non-cat and cat property exposures

Strong market demand for capacity due to continued high level of loss events and growth in insured exposures

+3% risk-adjusted rate change<sup>2</sup>; some additional capacity entering due to strong profitability levels

Reinsurance revenue growth of 30% to \$320 million (2023: \$245 million)



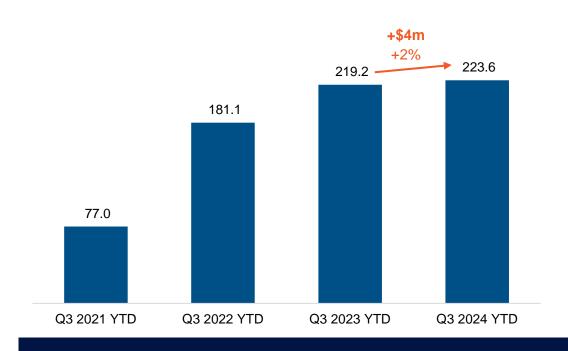
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# 2% increase in gross premiums written in Casualty









Disciplined renewal of existing portfolio, with select new business opportunities

Primary market rate change is varied by liability class, European XoL challenging

-1% risk-adjusted rate change<sup>2</sup>; generally stable pricing - industry legacy reserve issues remain

Reinsurance revenue growth of 19% to \$149m (2023: \$125m)



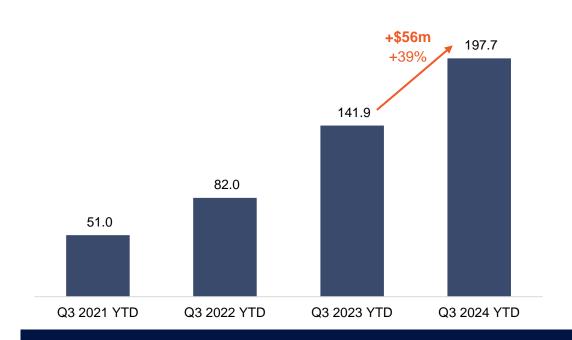
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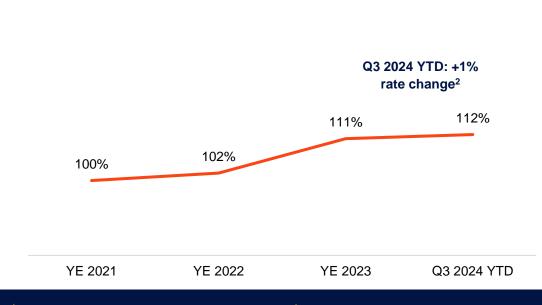
<sup>2.</sup> Net rate changes are on a year-to-date basis and reflect management's assessment of rate changes of our renewal business net of the impact of claims inflation, exposure changes and changes in any other terms and conditions

# 39% increase in gross premiums written in Specialty

## Gross premiums written<sup>1</sup>, \$m

## Cumulative risk-adjusted rate change, net of inflation<sup>2</sup>





Selectively underwriting a diversified portfolio of specialty classes, with limited correlation to cat accumulations

Signs of new capacity offered by the market in select classes; wordings generally expected to hold +1% risk-adjusted rate change<sup>2</sup>; exposed classes such as marine liability and civil unrest coverage likely to respond positively

Reinsurance revenue growth of 48% to \$120m (2023: \$81m)



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# **Financial highlights**

# Gross premiums written<sup>1</sup> for the nine months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023:

	2024 \$m	2023 \$m	Change \$m	Change %
Property	536.0	403.3	132.7	32.9%
Casualty	223.6	219.2	4.4	2.0%
Specialty	197.7	141.9	55.8	39.3%
Total	957.3	764.4	192.9	25.2%

# Reinsurance revenue for the nine months ended 30 September 2024 and 2023:

	2024 \$m	2023 \$m	Change \$m	Change %
Property	319.9	245.3	74.6	30.4%
Casualty	148.8	125.3	23.5	18.8%
Specialty	119.5	80.7	38.8	48.1%
Total	588.2	451.3	136.9	30.3%



Measured growth in gross premiums written and reinsurance revenue, driven by strong demand, growth in underlying exposures, high retention and stable risk-adjusted rate levels



During Q3 2024, activity across smaller and mid-size natural catastrophe and large risk events was elevated. In aggregate, our estimated undiscounted net loss<sup>2</sup> for large loss events recorded in Q3 2024 was approximately \$50 million.



Total capital and tangible capital available was \$1.05 billion as at 30 September 2024 (30 September 2023: \$0.92 billion)

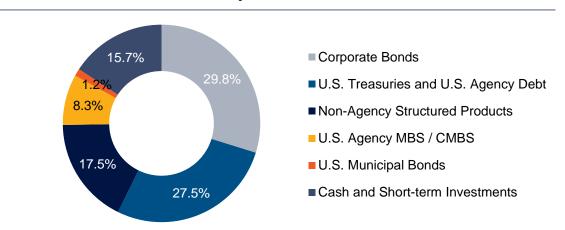


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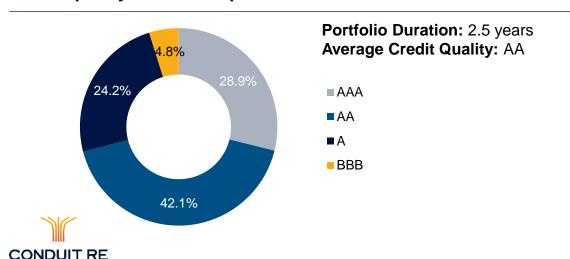
<sup>2.</sup> After reinsurance and reinstatement premiums. Our loss and reserve estimates have been derived from a combination of reports and statements from brokers and cedants, modelled loss projections, pricing loss ratio expectations and reporting patterns, all supplemented with market data and assumptions. We will continue to review these estimates as more information becomes available.

# High quality investment portfolio

#### Asset allocation as at 30 September 2024



## Credit quality as at 30 September 2024



# Capital preservation and liquidity to support our underwriting teams remain of paramount importance and determines our conservative strategic portfolio allocation

- High quality and short duration portfolio with growing investment leverage:
  - Total managed investment portfolio of \$1.7 billion (\$1.3 billion as at 30 September 2023)
  - Average credit quality of AA (AA as at 30 September 2023)
  - Book yield of 4.2% (3.5% as at 30 September 2023)
  - Market yield of 4.5% (5.8% as at 30 September 2023)
  - Portfolio duration of 2.5 years (2.3 years as at 30 September 2023)
- Total investment return 4.9% for the nine months ended 30 September, due to a higher yielding portfolio and decrease in yields during the quarter (2.1% in the prior year period)

# Multi-line portfolio positioned to respond to market conditions



25% increase in gross premiums written through nine months of 2024, focused in Property and Specialty, with growth expected to continue in 2025



Active industry period for smaller and mid-sized natural catastrophe and large risk events; Helene and Milton acting as a discipline to reinsurers



Multi-line strategy maintained - broad access to classes of risk and ability to adapt proactively to changing market conditions



While risk-adjusted rate increase slowed through 2024, underwriting discipline, firm terms and conditions and underwriting selection being maintained



Expect an early start to renewal season - significant engagement with both inwards clients and outwards partners; market outlook supports a good risk / return dynamic



Strong balance sheet with continued headroom to allocate capacity to targeted classes



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# Any questions?



# **Appendices**

# HOW WE CREATE VALUE



# Our key business objectives

Building a sustainable business for the long-term benefit of our stakeholders

Deliver profitability and mid-teens return on equity across the cycle

# Our investment proposition



# **Targeted** underwriting

- Multi-line reinsurance treaty focus
- Balanced and diversified portfolio
- Dynamic cycle management across classes of business and geographies



# Operational excellence

- Single location, efficient set up with open and collaborative culture
- Management team with proven industry track record
- Targeted and effective use of data-driven pricing, analytics and exposure management thanks to efficient cloud-based ecosystem



# **Strong balance** sheet

- Balance sheet well capitalised for future growth
- Absence of covid & casualty legacy
- AM Best (A-) Excellent financial strength rating with "very strong" balance sheet
- High quality investment portfolio, with average credit quality of AA



# Historical financial highlights

	FY 2022	FY 2023	H1 2023	H1 2024	9M 2023	9M 2024	Commentary
Gross premiums written (\$m) <sup>1</sup>	\$622.5	\$931.4	\$542.2	\$737.8	\$764.4	\$957.3	Achieved meaningful scale
Gross premiums written growth <sup>2</sup>	+67%	+50%	+53%	+36%	+50%	+25%	Targeted growth, continued opportunity
Combined ratio (undiscounted) <sup>1</sup>	109.3%	81.9%	83.1%	85.7%	_	_	Elevated cat and risk losses in 2024
Other operating expense ratio	6.0%	5.1%	5.7%	4.6%	_	_	Efficient business model
Net investment income (\$m)	\$17.8	\$41.3	\$17.2	\$29.9	_	_	Growing investment income contribution
Investment book yield	2.4%	3.7%	3.2%	4.1%	3.5%	4.2%	Maintaining high credit quality portfolio
Return on equity (RoE) <sup>3</sup>	(4.4%)	22.0%	9.1%	9.9%	_	_	Cross-cycle target of mid-teens RoE
Dividend per share	\$0.36	\$0.36	\$0.18	\$0.18	\$0.36	\$0.36	In-line with dividend policy
Net tangible assets per share	\$5.41	\$6.25	\$5.72	\$6.69	_	_	Growing capital through retained earnings

Ongoing delivery of strategic plan and focus on financial objectives

Single operating location with proven access to markets and focused allocation of capacity Continual investment in systems and talent; streamlined decision making

Strong balance sheet with high quality, short duration investment portfolio



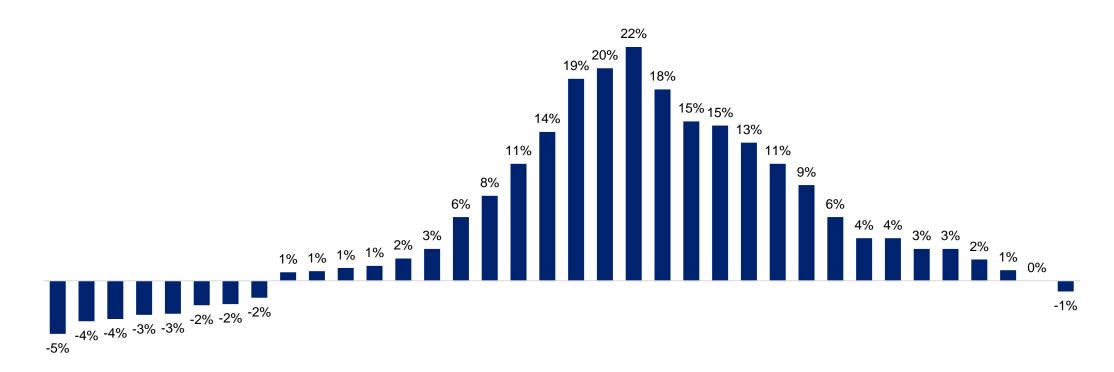
<sup>1.</sup> On IFRS17 basis

<sup>2.</sup> Compared to the same period in the prior year

<sup>3.</sup> RoE on six-months basis for H1 2023 and H1 2024, not annualised

# Commercial insurance pricing environment

#### **Marsh Global Insurance Market Index**

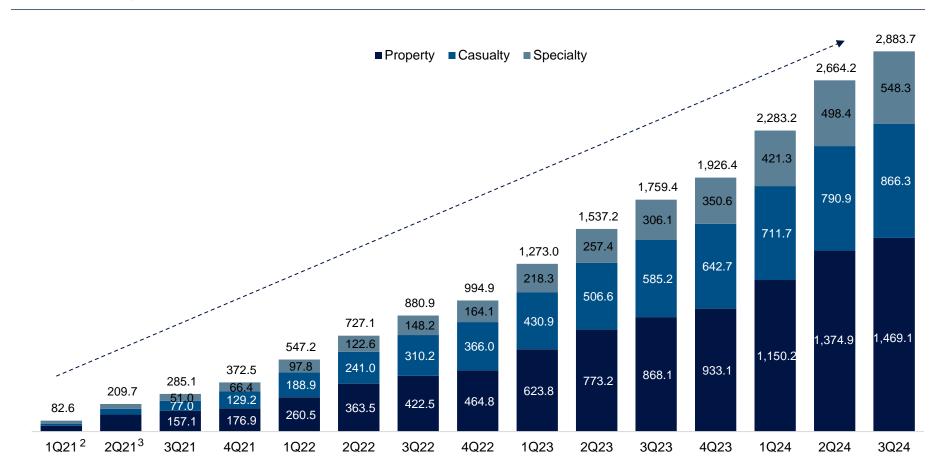


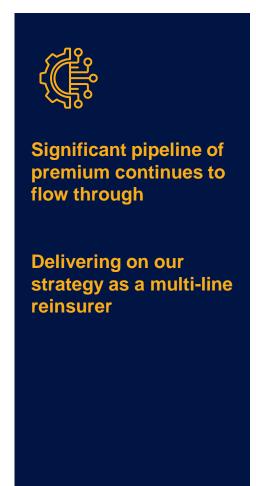


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# Over \$2.8bn gross premiums written since inception

# Cumulative gross premiums written<sup>1</sup> (\$m)

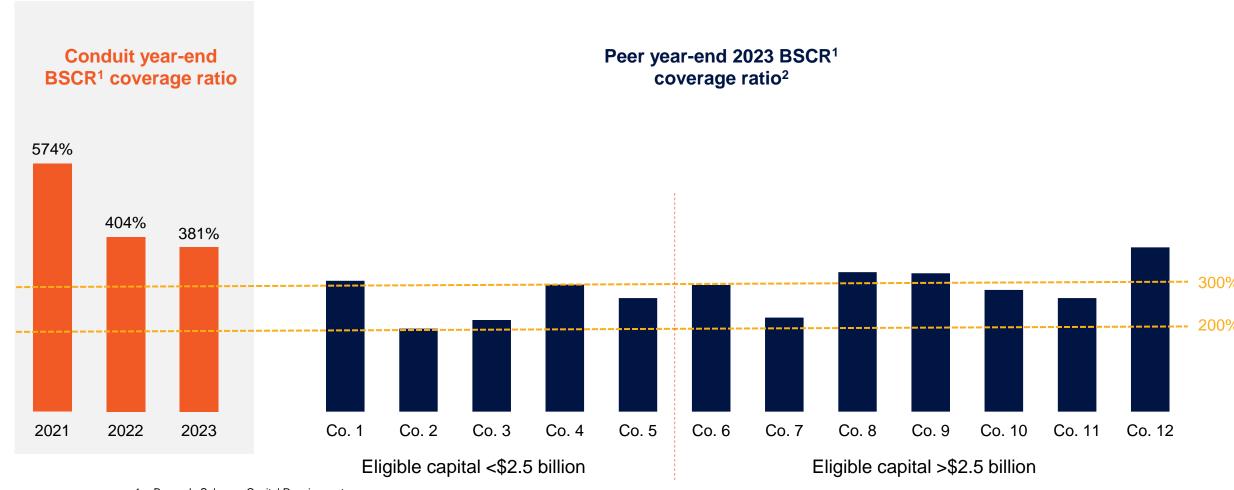


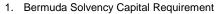




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- 2. For Q1 2021, gross premiums written were: Property: \$44.2m; Casualty: \$15.9m; Specialty: \$22.5m
- 3. For Q2 2021, gross premiums written were: Property: \$129.0m; Casualty: \$44.0m; Specialty \$36.7m

# Capital to support continued growth





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<sup>2.</sup> Data is based on published year-end 2023 Financial Condition Reports. Includes Class 4 Bermuda (re)insurers and/or Bermuda Groups including one or more Class 4 (re)insurers, depending on data availability. Only companies with over \$1 billion of eligible capital included. Companies part of a non-Bermuda Group also excluded. Data includes: Arch, Ascot, Aspen, Axis, Convex, Fidelis, Hamilton, Hiscox, Lancashire, PartnerRe, Renaissance Re, Sirius Point

# **Discounting on losses**

Reminder of our discounting calculation methodology

	Calculation methodology	Variability
Discount on new incurred	<ul> <li>New incurred claims discounted using opening discount rate or date of loss rate for material events.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Opening discount rates are fixed for the period but discount on material events are subject to prevailing market rates at time of event.</li> <li>Size of discount driven by undiscounted new incurred losses that remain unpaid at the end of the period.</li> </ul>
Discount on PYD	Prior year development discounted using opening discount rates.	<ul> <li>Opening discount rates fixed for the period.</li> <li>Total discount dependent on undiscounted PYD for the period and the actual versus expected experience on timing of loss payments.</li> <li>Discounted PYD can be lower or higher than undiscounted PYD.</li> </ul>
Interest accretion on PY reserves	<ul> <li>Interest accretion based on opening discount rates on opening reserves.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Very little variability in the unwind of prior year reserves during the period.</li> <li>High level calculation of Yield x Opening Reserves can help estimate PY unwind.</li> </ul>
Interest accretion on new incurred	<ul> <li>Interest accretion based on opening rates or date of loss rate for material events. Calculated on new incurred, not paid within the year.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Variability on new incurred, amount of newly incurred claims paid during the period and markets rates for material events.</li> </ul>
Change in discount rates	<ul> <li>Calculated as difference between closing reserves using opening/event rate versus closing reserves using closing rates.</li> </ul>	Size and direction of movements driven by how interest rates move during the period.



# Investor relations calendar

Although we endeavour to adhere to the dates below, all future planned events are provisional and subject to change



#### **Conduit scheduled disclosures**

#### 19 February 2025:

2024 Results



# **Conduit planned attendance at conferences**

#### 4 December 2024:

Berenberg European Conference (Pennyhill Park)

#### 17 December 2024:

 UBS Global Specialty Insurance/Reinsurance Conference (Virtual)

#### 3 March 2025:

Association of Insurance and Financial Analysts (Naples)

#### 5 March 2025:

RBC Global Financials Conference (New York)

#### 25 March 2025:

Jefferies Pan-European Mid-Cap Conference (London)



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