

## ACS (NZ) Limited

ABN: 115156 Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2014

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### ACS (NZ) LIMITED

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors of ACS (NZ) Limited ("ACS" or "the Company") submit herewith their Annual Report including the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2014 and the auditors' report thereon. In order to comply with the provisions of the Companies Act 1993, the directors report as follows:

The names and details of the Company's directors in office during the financial year and until the date of this report are as follows. Directors were in office for this entire period unless otherwise stated.

#### **David Harrison**

FNZIM Chairman David has extensive experience in insurance. He is the former Chairman and Chief Executive of Marsh Ltd in New Zealand and the Pacific Islands and a member of the international team of Managing Directors, Chairman of Aviation Co-operating Underwriters Pacific Ltd and has extensive interest at board level in the Charitable and Not for Profit sectors. David is a trustee of the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust which owns 100% of the ordinary share capital of the Company.

#### **Bruce Harris** CA, CPA, ACIS

Director

Bruce was appointed to the Board in 2011. He is a former insurance Executive Director with experience in financial management, strategy, governance, compliance and risk management. He is also the Executive Officer of Ridley Melbourne Mission & Ministry College, a Director of Ansvar Insurance Limited and a Director of Arrow Leadership Australia Ltd. Bruce is the Chairman of the Audit Risk and Compliance Committee.

#### Ian Campbell BSc (Econ) Hons, ACA Director

Ian was appointed to the Board in June 2013. He is the Group Chief Financial Officer of the Ecclesiastical Insurance Group. Ian is a Chartered Accountant with more than 25 years of experience in financial services. Ian started his career at KPMG in its Insurance and Consulting Practice covering a wide range of projects for Lloyds, London market and life insurance companies. Since then lan has held senior finance roles at both Cox Insurance and Aspen Insurance, focusing on property and casualty reinsurance and insurance acquisitions, finance, investment and tax management, Solvency II, capital management, capital raising, actuarial and reinsurance. He is also a director of Ansvar Insurance Limited.

As at the date of this report, the directors held no interests in the shares and options of the Company.

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### **Principal activities**

ACS's principal activity continues to be the settlement of claims which primarily relate to the devastating earthquakes in New Zealand in 2010 and 2011. In the year ended 31 December 2014, ACS continued its significant progress by making claims payments excluding GST of \$120 million reducing gross outstanding claims to \$33 million at 31 December 2014.

As permitted by the Reserve Bank of New Zealand ('RBNZ'), ACS has continued to operate under its provisional license.

Effective 20 June 2012, as part of ensuring a fair, managed process for finalising all outstanding claims, ACS began operating under a Contingent Scheme of Arrangement ('the Scheme'). The Scheme was put in place to protect the interests of claimants, and is part of the Company's commitment to ensuring as fast and efficient a claims settlement process as possible. It means that, under certain circumstances such as the Company becoming insolvent, certain procedures for managing the Company and settling claims would be followed. It is believed that this will result in better outcomes for claimants (who are called Creditors under the Scheme) than the alternative, which would be insolvent liquidation. The Company is currently in an "Initial Scheme Period", meaning it is continuing normal day to day operations. It is business as usual. If the scheme is triggered, ACS will write to inform creditors and advise them of the implications.

On 15 May 2012, the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust, a charitable trust domiciled in New Zealand, became the sole shareholder of ACS. From that date, its former parent companies, Allchurches Trust Limited, Ecclesiastical Insurance Office plc ('Ecclesiastical') and Ansvar Insurance Limited no longer controlled ACS. In accordance with a management services agreement, Ansvar Insurance Limited (domiciled in Australia) now performs certain management services for ACS.

#### **Subsequent Events**

Subsequent to balance date in the period from 1 January to 31 March 2015, ACS made gross claim payments of \$9,013,485 which represented a significant portion of its outstanding claims liabilities at 31 December 2014. The quantum of the claim payments and associated reinsurance recoveries were relatively consistent with the outstanding claims liabilities at 31 December 2014.

With the exception of the above, there has not been any matter or circumstance that has arisen since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the Company's operations in future financial years, the results of those operations or the Company's state of affairs in future financial years.

## ACS (NZ) LIMITED

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### Dividends

In respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2014, the directors have resolved that no dividend be paid or payable (2013: nil).

#### **Auditors**

In terms of the Companies Act 1993, Deloitte is to continue in office as the company's auditors.

#### Results

ACS's profit after tax for the year was \$608,972 (2013: loss of \$1,321,349).

#### **Appropriations**

Profit after tax for the year	\$ 608,972
Accumulated losses brought forward	(\$19,661,613)
Accumulated losses carried forward	(\$19,052,641)

#### S211 disclosures

The shareholders of the Company have exercised their right under section 211(3) of the Companies Act 1993 and unanimously agreed that this Annual Report need not comply with any of paragraphs (a), and (e) to (h) of section 211 (1) of the Act.

On behalf of the Directors

D J Harrison

Chairman

B G Harris

Director

17 April 2015

## Deloitte.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ACS (NZ) LIMITED

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of ACS (NZ) Limited on pages 7 to 32, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2014, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of cash flows and the statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

This report is made solely to the company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Section 205(1) of the Companies Act 1993. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company's shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Board of Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board of Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand and for such internal control as the Board of Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor and the provision of tax compliance services, we have no relationship with or interests in ACS (NZ) Limited. These services have not impaired our independence as auditor of the Company.

### **Deloitte.**

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements of ACS (NZ) Limited on pages 7 to 32:

- give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- · comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand; and
- · comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We also report in accordance with section 16 of the Financial Reporting Act 1993. In relation to our audit of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014:

- · we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required; and
- in our opinion, proper accounting records have been kept by ACS (NZ) Limited, as far as
  appears from our examination of those records.

Chartered Accountants 17 April 2015

Christchurch, New Zealand

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## STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Direct premium revenue		_	-
Outwards reinsurance premium expense/(revenue)		287,872	(27,287)
Net premium revenue/(expense)		287,872	(27,287)
Direct claims expenses	13	(17,277,447)	(63,154,455)
Reinsurance and other recoveries revenue	13	17,287,064	61,744,704
Net claims incurred		9,617	(1,409,751)
Underwriting profit/(loss)		297,489	(1,437,038)
Interest and dividend revenue		325,433	136,569
Changes in fair value of investments			
Realised (losses)/gains on investments		-	-
Unrealised (losses)/gains on investments		(13,950)	(20,880)
Profit/(loss) for the year before income tax	5	608,972	(1,321,349)
Income tax expense relating to ordinary activities	6	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the year		608,972	(1,321,349)
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive profit/(loss) for the year		608,972	(1,321,349)

The above Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

## ACS (NZ) LIMITED

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014	2013 \$
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	20 (a)	4,436,397	20,056,335
Trade and other receivables	8	12,316,513	6,811,712
Investments	9	503,499	517,449
Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities	10	30,278,909	125,907,579
Total assets	_	47,535,318	153,293,075
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	535,550	8,416,813
Provisions	12	93,492	206,299
Outstanding claims liabilities	14	32,958,916	131,331,575
Total liabilities		33,587,958	139,954,687
Net assets	_	13,947,360	13,338,388
Equity			
Issued capital	17	33,000,001	33,000,001
Accumulated losses		(19,052,641)	(19,661,613)
Total equity		13,947,360	13,338,388

The above Statement of Financial Position is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

For and on behalf of the Board, who authorise the issue of these financial statements on 17 April 2015:

D J Harrison

Chairman

17 April 2015

Director

17 April 2015

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

Balance at 1 January 2013
Loss for the year
Total comprehensive loss for the year
Balance at 1 January 2014
Profit for the year
Total comprehensive profit for the year
Balance at 31 December 2014

Issued capital \$	Retained Earnings \$	Total
33,000,001	(18,340,264)	14,659,737
-	(1,321,349)	(1,321,349)
-	(1,321,349)	(1,321,349)
33,000,001	(19,661,613)	13,338,388
-	608,972	608,972
-	608,972	608,972
33,000,001	(19,052,641)	13,947,360

The above Statement of Changes in Equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

## ACS (NZ) LIMITED

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Outwards reinsurance paid		(1,990,097)	(273,478)
Claims expenses paid		(129,891,868)	(184,213,687)
Reinsurance and other recoveries received		106,127,844	165,589,294
GST received/(paid)		9,808,750	12,718,392
Interest received		325,433	136,569
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	<b>20</b> b	(15,619,938)	(6,042,910)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(15,619,938)	(6,042,910)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial			
year		20,056,335	26,099,245
Effect of exchange rate on cash held in foreign currencies		-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	20a	4,436,397	20,056,335

The above Statement of Cash Flows is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1. Significant accounting policies

#### **Statement of Compliance**

The financial report is a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Act 1993 and Accounting Standards and Interpretations.

The Financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practices (NZ GAAP). They comply with New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (NZ IFRS) and other applicable Financial Reporting Standards, as appropriate for profit-oriented entities. The financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

In September 2011, the Company took the prudent decision to close the operations to new business and after much analysis, effective 31 December 2011, cancelled all insurance policies. From 1 January 2012, the Company has operated as a claims management business and, on 1 February 2012, changed its name to ACS (NZ) Limited.

On 1 January 2013 the Company became an issuer as required by the Insurance (Prudential Supervision) Act 2010.

The financial statements of the Company were authorised for issue by the directors on 17 April 2015.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical cost, except for the revaluation of certain assets and financial instruments. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

All amounts are presented in New Zealand dollars.

Accounting policies are selected and applied in a manner which ensures that the resulting financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions or other events is reported. Previously current and non-current assets and liabilities were presented separately in the statement of financial position. The statement of financial position is now presented on a liquidity basis as this presentation is considered to be more relevant for the Company. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity. For assets and liabilities that comprise both current and non-current amounts, information regarding the non-current amount is included in the relevant note of the financial statements.

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis as the Company is expected to be able to pay its debts as they fall due and payable. The Company's level of capital is in excess of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand's requirements.

The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report:

#### (a) Principles of general insurance business

An insurance contract is defined as a contract under which one party (the insurer) accepts significant insurance risk from another party (the policyholder) by agreeing to compensate the policyholder if a specified uncertain future event (the insured event) adversely affects the policyholder.

#### (b) Premium revenue

Direct premium comprises amounts charged to the policyholder or insurers including fire service levies, but excluding stamp duties collected on behalf of third parties. The earned portion of premiums received and receivable, including unclosed business, is recognised as revenue. Premium is treated as earned from the date of attachment of risk. Premiums on unclosed business are brought to account by reference to the previous year's premium processing delays with due allowance for any changes in the pattern of new business and renewals.

The pattern of recognition of income over the policy period is based on time, which closely approximates the pattern of risks underwritten. Unearned premium is determined by apportioning the premiums written in the year, after deducting reinsurance.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### (c) Claims

Claims expense and a liability for outstanding claims are recognised in respect of all business written. The liability covers claims reported but not yet paid, incurred but not enough reported claims (IBNER), incurred but not reported claims (IBNR) and the anticipated direct and indirect costs of settling those claims. Claims outstanding are assessed by reviewing individual claim files and estimating changes in the ultimate cost of settling claims with IBNRs and settlement costs using statistics based on past experience and trends.

The liability for outstanding claims is measured as the present value of the expected future payments. These payments are estimated on the basis of the ultimate cost of settling claims, which is affected by factors arising during the period to settlement.

#### (d) Outwards reinsurance

Reinsurance and other recoveries on paid claims and movements in the reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities are recognized as revenue or expenses as appropriate. Reinsurers' share of claims liabilities is assessed in a manner similar to the assessment of outstanding claims.

#### (e) Reinsurance and other recoveries receivable

Reinsurance and other recoveries receivable on paid claims, reported claims not yet paid and IBNRs are recognised as revenue. The reinsurers' share of outstanding liabilities is assessed in a manner similar to the assessment of outstanding claims.

#### (f) Acquisition costs

Acquisition costs incurred in obtaining insurance contracts are deferred and recognised as assets where they can be reliably measured and where it is probable that they will give rise to revenue that will be recognised in profit or loss in subsequent reporting periods. Deferred acquisition costs are amortised systematically in accordance with the expected pattern of the incidence of risk under the general insurance contracts to which they relate. This pattern of amortisation corresponds to the earning pattern of the corresponding premium revenue.

#### (g) Unearned premium liabilities

The unearned premium liability is determined by apportioning the premium written over the period from date of attachment of risk to the expiry of the policy term. Liability adequacy testing is performed in order to recognise any deficiencies in profit or loss arising from the carrying amount of the unearned premium liability less any related deferred acquisition costs and intangible assets not meeting the estimated future claims under current insurance contracts.

The estimated future claims under current insurance contracts are measured using the present value of the expected cash flows relating to future claims and associated expenses (discounted using a risk free discount rate) plus an additional fair value risk margin to reflect the inherent uncertainty of those estimated cash flows. Liability adequacy testing is performed at the level of a portfolio of contracts that are subject to broadly similar risks and are managed together as a single portfolio.

In 2011, due to a change in operations and cancellation of insurance policies as at 31 December 2011, there was no longer a requirement to defer any premiums.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### (h) Financial Assets

Investments are recognised and derecognised on trade date where the purchase or sale of an investment is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the investment within the timeframe established by the market concerned and are initially measured at fair value, plus transaction costs, except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value.

Financial assets that back the insurance provisions of the entity are designated as at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) on initial recognition as permitted by NZ IAS 39 and NZ IFRS 4.

#### Financial Assets at FVTPL

Financial Assets at FVTPL are stated at fair value, with any resultant gain or loss recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss excludes any dividend or interest earned on the financial assets. Fair value is determined by reference to the quoted prices of the instruments at balance date.

#### Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment.

#### Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at fair value through profit or loss, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been impacted.

All debtors exceeding 90 days overdue are considered doubtful and any movements in the resultant provision are recognised in profit or loss.

Recoverability of Reinsurance Debtors is assessed with reference to the Financial Strength rating of each Reinsurer. A provision for impairment is established when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivable. The provision for impairment is recognised in the profit or loss.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment provision changes and the change can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment provision was recognised, the previously recognised impairment provision is reversed.

#### (i) Financial instruments issued by the Company

#### Debt and equity instruments

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement.

#### Transaction costs on the issue of equity instruments

Transaction costs arising on the issue of equity instruments are recognised directly in equity as a reduction of the proceeds of the equity instruments to which the costs relate. Transaction costs are the costs that are incurred directly in connection with the issue of those equity instruments and which would not have been incurred had those instruments not been issued.

#### Interest and dividends

Interest and dividends are classified as expenses or as distributions of profit consistent with the Statement of financial position classification of the related debt or equity instruments.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### (j) Employee benefits

Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave, and sick leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

Provisions made in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months, are measured as the amount unpaid at the reporting date at expected pay rates in respect of employees' services up to that date.

Provisions made in respect of employee benefits not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the expected future cash outflows to be made by the economic entity in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using interest rates on government guaranteed securities with terms to maturity that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

#### <u>Defined contribution plans</u>

Contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are expensed when incurred.

#### (k) Foreign currency

All foreign currency transactions during the financial year are brought to account using the exchange rate in effect at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency monetary items at reporting date are translated at the exchange rate existing at reporting date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined.

#### (I) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, cash in banks and current accounts in banks, net of outstanding bank overdrafts, short term deposits and commercial bills. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the Statement of financial position.

Cash equivalents are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investment purposes; these are money market instruments with short maturities (three months or less from the date of acquisition) which are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### (m) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except:

- a. where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority, it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense; or
- b. for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows inclusive of GST. GST received and paid is shown on a separate line to other cash flows. Previously cash flows items were presented exclusive of GST. The reclassification to show GST separately is to provide greater clarity on the cash flows of the Company.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### (n) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the Company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

#### (o) Income Tax

#### Current tax

Current tax is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable or recoverable in respect of the taxable profit or tax loss for the period. It is calculated using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. Current tax for current and prior periods is recognised as a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the comprehensive balance sheet liability method in respect of temporary differences arising from differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax base of those items.

In principle, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable amounts will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unused tax losses and tax offsets can be utilised. However, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences giving rise to them arise from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities (other than as a result of a business combination) which affects neither taxable income nor accounting profit.

#### Current and deferred tax for the period

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense or income in profit or loss, except when it relates to items credited or debited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised directly in equity.

## ACS (NZ) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### (p) Payables

Payables are recognised when the Company becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services.

#### (q) Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases. Operating lease rentals are recognized evenly over the expected period of benefit.

#### (r) Cash flows

The following are the definitions of the terms used in the statement of cash flow:

- Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand and current accounts in the banks, net of bank overdrafts, short term deposits and commercial bills.
- Investing activities are those activities relating to the acquisition, holding and disposal of property, plant and equipment and of other non-current investments. Investments can include securities not falling within the definition of cash.
- Financing activities are those activities which result in changes in the size and composition of the capital structure of the Company. This includes both equity and debt not falling within the definition of cash. Dividends paid in relation to the capital structure are included in financing activities.
- Operating activities include all transaction and other events that are not investing or financing activities.

#### (s) New standard and interpretations

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, certain new standards, amendments and interpretations to existing accounting standards have been published but are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Company. The only standard considered relevant for the Company is NZ IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* which improves and simplifies the approach for the classification and measurement of financial assets in NZ IAS 39. The standard is not expected to have a significant financial impact on the Company. The Company expects to adopt the standard on 1 January after the effective date of the standard.

#### (t) Capital structure

The capital structure of the Company solely consists of issued share capital and accumulated losses as disclosed in note 17.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 2. Risk management

The financial condition and operation of the Company are affected by a number of key risks including insurance risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk, financial risk, compliance risk, fiscal risk and operational risk.

#### (a) Objectives in managing risks arising from insurance contracts and policies for mitigating those risks

The Company has an objective to control insurance risk thus minimising substantial unexpected losses that would expose the entity to an adverse financial capital loss.

The Board and senior management of the Company has developed, implemented and maintain a Risk Management Strategy (RMS).

The RMS identifies the Company's policies and procedures, processes and controls that comprise its risk management and control systems. These systems address all material risks, financial and non-financial, likely to be faced by the Company.

Key aspects of the processes established in the RMS to mitigate risks include:

- The maintenance and use of management information systems, which provide up to date, reliable data on the risks to which the business is exposed at any point in time.
- Actuarial models, using information from the management information systems, are used to monitor claims patterns. Past experience and statistical methods are used as part of the process.
- Reinsurance is used to limit the Company's exposure to large single claims and catastrophes.
- The mix of assets in which the Company invests is driven by the nature and term of insurance liabilities. The management of assets and liabilities is closely monitored to ensure that ACS has sufficient liquidity to fund claim payments.

#### (b) Interest rate risk

None of the financial assets or liabilities arising from insurance or reinsurance contracts entered into by the Company is directly exposed to interest rate risk. Exposure is closely monitored and assets and liabilities are appropriately matched in terms of currency.

#### (c) Credit risk

ACS is exposed to credit risk mainly through its holding of cash and cash equivalents and reinsurance assets. The Company actively monitors the credit ratings and payment history of reinsurers to ensure there are no significant exposures that require immediate attention and action. To date, there have been no defaults or non-recoverable reinsurance amounts relating to ACS's earthquake claims.

Please refer to Note 18(d) for the composition of ACS's reinsurance asset split by credit rating.

#### (d) Terms and conditions of insurance business

The terms and conditions attaching to insurance contracts affect the level of insurance risk accepted by the Company. There are no special terms and conditions in any non standard contracts that have a material impact on the financial statements.

The Company lays high emphasis on reinsurance counterparties with good credit standing and capacity to meet obligations under the contract. The reinsurance programmes are drawn in a way that there is no concentration which would create large exposures or detract from diversification benefits. Reinsurance arrangements were entered into with reinsurers with credit ratings ranging from A to AAA.

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#### 2. Risk management (Cont'd)

#### (e) Terms and conditions of reinsurance contracts

The Company reinsured a portion of the risks it underwrote in order to control exposure to losses, stabilize earnings, protect capital resources and ensure efficient control and spread of underwriting risk.

The Company's reinsurance program was structured to protect the Company's solvency and capital position. It covers per risk and event losses assessed as the reasonable worst case scenario. Reinsurance was placed to cover losses in excess of the Company's agreed retention for each class of business. No inwards reinsurance was written by the Company.

#### (f) Capital management

Capital management plays a central role in managing risk to protect the interests of policyholders/claimants and the Company's shareholder and satisfy the regulator. The Company monitors its capital position on a continuous basis to ensure that its level of capital remains above the RBNZ minimum level and the internal risk appetite limit. The Company sets its risk appetite limits and monitors key risks on a continuous basis to mitigate the risk of capital falling below target levels.

#### 3. Critical accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, which are described in Note 1, the Directors are required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are regularly reviewed and based on historical experience and other factors.

The estimation of the ultimate liability arising from claims made under general business insurance contracts is a critical accounting estimate. There are various sources of uncertainty as to how much the Company will ultimately pay with respect to such contracts. There is uncertainty as to the total number of claims made on each class of business, the amounts that such claims will be settled for and the timings of any payments.

The other critical accounting estimates relates to the assessment of the recovery of reinsurance assets. To date, there have been no defaults or non-recoverable reinsurance amounts relating to ACS's earthquake claims. At each reporting date ACS reviews the carrying amounts of its reinsurance assets for impairment.

Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised.

#### 4. Actuarial assumptions and methods

#### **Actuarial information**

Mr David Davies of Ansvar Insurance Limited is the Appointed Actuary of ACS under a Management Service Agreement between ACS (NZ) Limited and Ansvar Insurance Limited. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of Australia. The valuation of insurance liabilities report prepared by Mr Davies is compliant with the Institute of Actuaries of Australia Professional Standard PS300 and the New Zealand Society of Actuaries Professional Standard 4.1.

Report Date: 31 December 2014

Mr Davies was satisfied with the information supplied and declared that the data provided formed a suitable basis for conducting analysis and establishing estimates of the outstanding claims liability for all valuation classes.

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#### 4. Actuarial assumptions and methods (Cont'd)

#### (a) Assumptions

The following assumptions have been made in determining the outstanding claims liabilities:

	2	2014		2013	
	Short-tail	Long-tail	Short-tail	Long-tail	
Weighted average term to settlement (years)	0.60	1.71	0.93	2.14	
Discount rate	3.5%	n/a	3.0%	n/a	
Discounted mean term (years)	1.25	1.71	1.38	2.14	
Claim handling expense ratio *	7.4%	0.0%	3.4%	0.0%	
Risk margin	15.9%	30.0%	14.0%	11.0%	

The claims handling ratio is expressed as a percentage of gross outstanding claims liabilities.

#### (b) Processes used to determine assumptions

The valuations included in the reported results are calculated using assumptions including:

#### Average weighted term to settlement

The average weighted term to payment is calculated separately by class of business and is based on historic settlement patterns.

#### Claims Inflation

The Incurred Claim Development method has implicit allowance for future claims inflation and hence no explicit allowance for claims inflation has been made.

#### Superimposed inflation rate

There is a tendency for claim costs, particularly for the liability classes, to increase at levels in excess of standard inflationary pressures. This can be due to a number of factors including court awards and precedents and social and environmental pressures. This is often termed superimposed inflation and is analysed and forecast separately from wage inflation.

#### Discount rate

For the estimation of the non-earthquake outstanding claims no allowance has been made for future investment earnings. This reflects the short tail nature of the liabilities where the majority of the claim payments will be made over the next 12 months.

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#### 4. Actuarial assumptions and methods (Cont'd)

#### (b) Processes used to determine assumptions

#### Claims Handling Expenses

ACS is responsible for the ongoing management of all claims incurred on or before 31 December 2014. To reflect this expense, an allowance is included in the central estimate of the outstanding claims liability. This claims handling expenses provision has been calculated by use of a budget model of current and future costs. These future costs have been discounted back to present value at the same rate as the claims liabilities.

#### Risk margin

A risk margin at a 75% probability of sufficiency has been used to determine the outstanding claims liability as at 31 December 2014 (2013: 75%).

#### Effects of changes in actuarial assumptions from 31 December 2013 to 31 December 2014

Assumption category	Effect on net outstanding claims liabilities Increased/(Decreased)
	\$
Discount rates	-
Specific Non-quake claims assumptions	
Risk Margin assumptions	13,745

#### (c) Sensitivity analysis

The Company conducts sensitivity analyses to quantify the exposure to the risk of changes in the underlying assumptions used in the financial statements.

The sensitivity of the Company's profit and net assets to key valuation assumptions is tabulated below:

	Net Profit	Net Assets
	\$	\$
Recognised amounts in the financial statements	608,972	13,947,360

Variable	Movement in variable	Movement in	amount
		Net Profit \$	Equity \$
Claims handling expenses ratio	+ 1.00 %	(303,539)	(303,539)
<b>.</b>	- 1.00 %	303,539	303,539
Risk margin	+ 1.00 %	(23,110)	(23,110)
	- 1.00 %	23,110	23,110

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#### 5. Profit/(loss) from operations

Profit/(loss) from operations includes the following items:

Rental expense relating to operating leases

#### **Employee benefits:**

Defined contribution plans

Salaries

Other

2014 \$	2013 \$
71,376	205,586
19,025	30,177
627,106	913,533
32,327	32,483
678,458	976,193

#### 6. Income taxes

#### (a) Tax expense/benefit

Current tax expense/(benefit)
Utilisation of tax credits
Tax credits not recognised

2014 \$	2013 \$
170,512	(369,978)
(170,512)	-
-	369,978
-	-

#### (b) Income tax recognised in profit or loss

#### Tax expense comprises:

Profit/(loss) before taxation

Tax charge/(credit) at 28% (2013: 28%) Utilisation of tax credits

Tax credits not recognised

(1,321,349)	608,972
(369,978)	170,512
-	(170,512)
369,978	-
-	-

Due to the change in ACS's shareholder from Ansvar Insurance Limited to the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust on 15 May 2012, the tax loses relating to periods prior to 15 May 2012 were forfeited. As at 31 December 2014, the Company has unrecognised deferred tax assets relating to tax losses of \$4,746,566 (2013: \$5,162,590). Deferred tax assets are not recognised as the Company does not anticipate generating sufficient taxable profit in the future to allow these deferred tax assets to be utilized.

#### 7. Remuneration of auditors

Audit the financial report

Tax services (i)

Other assurance services (ii)

2014	2013
\$	\$
44,904	47,227
14,546	31,347
-	15,000
59,450	93,574

- (i) Includes tax compliance services
- (ii) Includes engagements required by regulator and forensic services

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#### 8. Trade and other receivables

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Reinsurance receivables	12,150,585	5,437,205
Allowance for doubtful debts	(969,788)	(1,044,298)
	11,180,797	4,392,907
GST receivable	843,151	1,537,544
Other debtors and prepayments	292,565	881,261
	12,316,513	6,811,712
Allowance for doubtful debts		
Opening balance at 1 January	(1,044,298)	-
Additional provision recognised	-	(1,044,298)
Released during the year	74,511	-
Closing balance at 31 December	(969,788)	(1,044,298)

The allowance for doubtful debts is an allowance for certain reinsurance recoveries which the Company has not invoiced within 90 days of the amounts becoming due from reinsurers. It excludes such amounts where the relevant reinsurers have confirmed in writing that they will pay the reinsurance recoveries.

#### 9. Investments

Investments designated at fair value through profit or loss:	2014 \$	2013 \$
Current		
Government securities	503,499	517,449
	503,499	517,449
10. Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities		
	2014 \$	2013 \$
Estimated expected future reinsurance recoveries		
on reported claims	22,079,600	111,159,648
on incurred but not reported claims	6,263,483	9,251,413
Risk margin	3,538,554	10,792,257
Discount adjustment	(1,602,728)	(5,295,739)
	30,278,909	125,907,579
Provision for impairment of reinsurance assets	-	-
Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities	30,278,909	125,907,579
Current	20,180,067	83,537,066
Non-current – expected to be paid in greater than 12 months	10,098,842	42,370,513
	30,278,909	125,907,579

Almost all of the outstanding claims within ACS are from the earthquakes that occurred from September 2010 through to the December 2011. In assessing the likely payment pattern of these claims, payments to date have been benchmarked against other earthquake events and then projected for 2015 and beyond.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

11. Trade and other payable
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	2014	2013 \$
Reinsurance ceded creditors	176,160	2,454,130
Accruals	304,879	949,348
Trade payables	-	4,777,109
Other payables	54,511	236,226
	535,550	8,416,813
12. Provisions	0044	
	2014 \$	2013 \$
Employee entitlements	22,677	26,324
Provision for lease make good	15,000	29,975
Other provisions	55,815	150,000
	93,492	206,299

The above items are classed as provisions rather than liabilities because of the inherent uncertainty surrounding their ultimate value. The make good provision is made based on the estimation of future costs of returning the leasehold premises on completion of lease to a condition agreed with the landlord.

The amount provided is expected to be paid out at the time of renewal of the lease unless the lease is renewed.

#### 13. Net claims incurred

2014	Current year \$	Prior years \$	Total \$
Gross claims expense			
Gross claims incurred	-	20,970,458	20,970,458
Discount movement	-	(3,693,011)	(3,693,011)
	-	17,277,447	17,277,447
Reinsurance and other recoveries revenue			
Reinsurance and other recoveries	-	(20,980,075)	(20,980,075)
Discount movement	-	3,693,011	3,693,011
	-	(17,287,064)	(17,287,064)
Net claims incurred	-	(9,617)	(9,617)

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#### 13. Net claims incurred (Cont'd)

2013	Current year \$	Prior years \$	Total \$
Gross claims expense	· ·	·	·
Gross claims incurred	-	68,964,496	68,964,496
Discount movement	-	(5,810,041)	(5,810,041)
	-	63,154,455	63,154,455
Reinsurance and other recoveries revenue			
Reinsurance and other recoveries	-	(67,554,745)	(67,554,745)
Discount movement	-	5,810,041	5,810,041
	-	(61,744,704)	(61,744,704)
Net claims incurred	-	1,409,751	1,409,751

Included in gross claims expense are the following claims handling costs:	2014 \$	2013 \$
Consultant expenses	807,450	1,196,069
Employee expenses (excluding defined contribution superannuation)	799,977	1,144,872
Defined contribution superannuation	19,025	30,177
Accommodation and office expenses	236,781	489,671
Travel expenses	116,767	188,912
Directors' fees	97,000	81,250
Audit fees (refer Note 7)	44,904	47,227
Other costs	134,484	303,870
	2,256,388	3,482,048

The key management personnel of the entity are the Chief Executive Officer and the Directors. The Chief Executive Officer is an employee of Ansvar Insurance Limited which performs services for ACS (NZ) Limited under a management services agreement. Note 21 contains details of the management fee payable to Ansvar Insurance Limited under the management services agreement. Directors' fees are disclosed in the table above.

#### 14. Outstanding claims liabilities

	\$	\$
Gross central estimate	28,421,386	120,923,752
Discount to present value	(1,602,728)	(5,295,739)
Claims handling expenses	2,232,708	4,249,401
Risk margin	3,907,550	11,454,161
Gross outstanding claims liabilities	32,958,916	131,331,575
Current	21,966,219	87,135,774
Non-current	10,992,697	44,195,801
	32,958,916	131,331,575

2013

2014

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 14. Outstanding claims liabilities (Cont'd)

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Estimated expected future payments for claims including		
On reported claims	22,083,373	111,672,339
On incurred but not reported claims	6,338,013	9,251,413
On claims handling expenses	2,232,708	4,249,401
Risk margin	3,907,550	11,454,161
Discount adjustment	(1,602,728)	(5,295,739)
Gross outstanding claims liabilities	32,958,916	131,331,575

#### Reconciliation of movement in outstanding claims liabilities

2014	Gross \$	Reinsurance \$	Net \$
At 1 January	131,331,575	(125,907,579)	5,423,996
Movement in prior year claims provisions	18,017,448	(6,806,164)	11,211,284
Claim payments/recoveries	(120,083,118)	106,127,845	(13,955,273)
Discount adjustment	3,693,011	(3,693,011)	-
At 31 December	32,958,916	(30,278,909)	2,680,007

2013	Gross \$	Reinsurance \$	Net \$
At 1 January	233,522,582	(226,305,719)	7,216,863
Movement in prior year claims provisions	63,494,247	(59,381,113)	4,113,134
Claim payments/recoveries	(171,495,295)	165,589,294	(5,906,001)
Discount adjustment	5,810,041	(5,810,041)	-
At 31 December	131,331,575	(125,907,579)	5,423,996

#### 15. Unexpired risk liability

ACS cancelled all policies effective 31 December 2011 and there was no unexpired risk liability as at 31 December 2013 or 31 December 2014.

#### 16. Commitments

Operating lease commitments:	2014 \$	2013 \$
Not later than one year	13,300	41,281
Later than one year and not later than five years	-	-
	13.300	41.281

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#### 17. Issued capital

Ordinary share capital
Special share capital
Total issued share capital

2014 Number of shares	2013 Number of shares	2014 \$	2013 \$
33,200,000	33,200,000	33,000,000	33,000,000
1	1	1	1
33,200,001	33,200,001	33,000,001	33,000,001

In 2012, there were the following changes to issued share capital:

- On 29 March 2012, ACS issued 100,000 new shares at NZ\$1 per share to its ultimate parent company, Ecclesiastical:
- On 14 May 2012, ACS issued 10,000,000 ordinary shares to the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust (CECH) for consideration of NZ\$ 1 per share;
- On 15 May 2012, CECH acquired the existing share capital of ACS from Ansvar (1,600,000 shares) and Ecclesiastical (100,000 shares) for consideration of NZ\$ 1 to each party;
- On 15 May 2012, ACS issued one special share to Ecclesiastical for consideration of NZ\$ 1;
- On 29 June 2012, ACS issued 18,500,000 ordinary shares to CECH for consideration of NZ\$ 1 per share; and
- On 30 June 2012, ACS issued a further 3,000,000 ordinary shares to CECH for consideration of NZ\$ 1 per share.

Ordinary shares carry the right to dividends and have one vote per share with equal voting rights. The special share gives Ecclesiastical the right to appoint, replace or remove one director of the Company.

#### 18. Financial instruments

#### (a) Significant accounting policies

Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted, including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which revenues and expenses are recognised, in respect of each class of financial asset, financial liability and equity instrument are disclosed in Note 1.

#### (b) Financial risk management objectives

It is ultimately the responsibility of the Board of Directors to ensure that there is an effective risk management control framework in place. Consistent with regulatory requirements the Board has explicitly allocated to the Chief Executive Officer, the function of overseeing the establishment and maintenance of risk-based systems and controls across the company.

The company has assessed the effectiveness of the controls in place to mitigate the risks and implemented appropriate policies for managing these risks. In order to establish the parameters within which risk must be managed, the company has also developed a statement of 'risk appetite', or tolerance. Both the risk policies and risk appetite are subject to an annual review to ensure that they reflect the changing risk profile of the business.

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#### 18. Financial instruments (Cont'd)

#### (c) Categories of financial instruments

Financial Assets are classified in one of the following categories at initial recognition:

- · Loans and receivables; or
- Fair value through profit or loss

Financial Liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

The carrying value of financial assets and liabilities closely resembles the fair value.

#### Loans and Receivables

Assets in this category are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial assets classified as loans and receivables include:

- Reinsurance receivables; and
- Cash and cash equivalents

#### Fair Value through Profit or Loss

Financial assets are measured at fair value with movements recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. Financial assets classified at fair value through profit or loss include:

• Government bonds which are Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy under NZ IFRS13

	2014 \$	2013 \$
Financial assets		
Investments designated at fair value through profit or loss	503,499	517,449
Reinsurance receivables	11,180,797	4,392,907
Cash and cash equivalents	4,436,397	20,056,335
Total financial assets	16,120,693	24,966,691
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Financial liabilities		
Trade and other payables	535,550	8,416,813
Total financial liabilities	535,550	8,416,813

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#### 18. Financial instruments (Cont'd)

#### (d) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the company. The company has adopted the policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties and obtaining sufficient collateral or other security where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults. The policies and procedures in place to mitigate the company's exposure to credit risk are described in Note 2 of this report.

The Company actively monitors the credit ratings of its reinsurers to ensure there is no significant exposure that requires immediate attention and action. To date, there have been no defaults or non-recoverable reinsurance amounts relating to ACS's earthquake claims.

As at 31 December 2014, the Company's reinsurance assets comprised of the following percentage split based on Standard & Poor's ratings (except where noted):

#### Standard & Poor's Ratings

<u> </u>	
AAA	0.0%
AA-	14.4%
A+	14.4%
A	5.7%
A-	65.2%
A- (AM Best)	0.3%
BBB+	0.0%

The table below shows the maximum exposure to credit risk for the relevant components of the Statement of Financial Position. The maximum exposure is shown gross, before the effect of mitigation through the use of master netting or taking account of the value of any collateral or other security obtained.

Credit	risk		
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Cash

Government securities

Reinsurance receivables

Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities

2014 \$	2013 \$
4,436,397	20,056,335
503,499	517,449
11,180,797	4,392,907
30,278,909	125,907,579
46,399,602	150,874,270

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 18. Financial instruments (Cont'd)

#### (e) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial instruments. Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the board of directors, who has built a framework for the management of the company's short, medium and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The company manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves and by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows. The company has developed and implemented a Risk Management Strategy, which is described in Note 2.

The following tables summarise the maturity profile of the company's outstanding claims liabilities and non-interest bearing payables.

2014	Weighted average interest rate %	Less than 1 year \$	1 - 5 years \$	5 + years \$	Discount Adjustment	Total
Outstanding claims liabilities	3.5%	23,034,393	11,527,251	-	(1,602,728)	32,958,916
Non-interest bearing payables	-	535,550	-	-	-	535,550
		23,569,943	11,527,251	-	(1,602,728)	33,494,466
2013	Weighted average interest rate %	Less than 1 year \$	1 - 5 years \$	5 + years \$	Discount Adjustment	Total
Outstanding claims liabilities	average interest	1 year	years	years		
Outstanding claims	average interest rate %	1 year \$	years \$	years	Adjustment	\$

#### (f) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises two types of risk: foreign exchange (currency risk) and market interest rates (interest rate risk).

#### Foreign currency risk management

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of the change in foreign exchange rates. The currency risk is not considered to be significant as the company does not enter into many foreign currency transactions.

#### Interest risk management

The company's activities expose it to the financial risk of changes in interest rates. Floating rate instruments expose the company to cash flow risk, whereas fixed interest rate instruments expose the company to fair value interest rate risk. The company's Investment Committee monitors the company's exposures to interest rate risk as described in note 2 to this financial report.

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#### 18. Financial instruments (Cont'd)

#### (f) Market risk (Cont'd)

The following tables detail the expected maturity profile for the reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities and financial assets. The tables below have been drawn up based on the undiscounted contractual maturities of the financial assets except where the company anticipates that the cash flow will occur in a different period.

2014	Weighted average interest rate %	Less than 1 year \$	1 - 5 years \$	5 + years \$	Discount Adjustment	Total
Non interest bearing:						
Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities	3.5%	21,248,242	10,633,395	-	(1,602,728)	30,278,909
Reinsurance receivables	-	11,180,797	-	-	-	11,180,797
Variable interest rate instruments:     Cash and cash equivalents Fixed interest rate instruments:	2.1%	4,436,397	-	-	-	4,436,397
Government securities	3.2%	503,499	-	-	-	503,499
		37,368,935	10,633,395	-	(1,602,728)	46,399,602

2013	Weighted average interest rate %	Less than 1 year \$	1 - 5 years \$	5 + years \$	Discount Adjustment	Total
Non interest bearing:						_
Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims liabilities	3.0%	87,050,679	44,152,639	-	(5,295,739)	125,907,579
Reinsurance receivables	-	4,392,907	-	-	-	4,392,907
Variable interest rate instruments: Cash and cash equivalents Fixed interest rate instruments:	0.5%	20,056,335	-	-	-	20,056,335
Government securities	3.2%	517,449	-	-	-	517,449
-		112,017,370	44,152,639	-	(5,295,739)	150,874,270

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#### 19. Related party disclosures

Until 15 May 2012, Ansvar Insurance Limited ('Ansvar'), incorporated in Australia, was the company's immediate parent company, Allchurches Trust Limited, incorporated in the United Kingdom, was the company's ultimate holding company and Ecclesiastical, domiciled in the United Kingdom, was its intermediate holding company. From 15 May 2012, its immediate and ultimate parent was the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust, domiciled in New Zealand and Ansvar Insurance Limited, Allchurches Trust Limited and Ecclesiastical ceased to be related entities.

Effective the 20 June 2012, ACS (NZ) Limited signed a Management Services Agreement with Ansvar and Ansvar performs certain management services for ACS (NZ) Limited. As at 31 December 2014, no monies had been paid to Ansvar in respect of these services provided.

In March 2012, the company entered into a commercially priced, arms length reinsurance arrangement with Ecclesiastical, whereby Ecclesiastical provided a fixed maximum upper limit property catastrophe excess of loss reinsurance contract in respect of the February 2011 earthquake event.

#### 20. Notes to the cash flow statement

#### a. Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year as shown in the cash flow statement is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Cash	4,436,397	20,056,335

#### b. Reconciliation of net surplus after taxation

	\$	\$
Net (loss)/profit for the year	608,972	(1,321,349)
Changes in fair value of investments and loans	13,950	40,880
(Increase) / decrease in trade and other receivables	(5,504,801)	3,732,786
Increase / (decrease) in trade and other payables and provisions	(7,994,070)	(6,702,360)
Increase / (decrease) in net outstanding claims liabilities	(2,743,989)	(1,792,867)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	(15,619,938)	(6,042,910)

2014

2013

#### 21. Contingent Liabilities

Effective the 20 June 2012, ACS signed a Management Services Agreement with Ansvar under which Ansvar performs certain management services for ACS. A performance based management fee of up to \$3 million may be payable to Ansvar once the Company has settled all claims against it to the extent ACS has surplus capital in excess of \$5 million. In accordance with the Trust Deed of CECH, ACS's parent, the first \$5 million of surplus of ACS will be payable to charitable organizations or used for charitable purposes within New Zealand. These amounts have not been provided for in the Statement of Financial Position.

As at 31 December 2014, with the exception of the items listed above, there were no contingent liabilities existing at balance date (2013: \$Nil) not otherwise provided for in these financial statements.

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#### 22. Subsequent events

Subsequent to balance date in the period from 1 January to 31 March 2015, ACS made gross claim payments of \$9,013,485 which represented a significant portion of its outstanding claims liabilities at 31 December 2014. The quantum of the claim payments and associated reinsurance recoveries were relatively consistent with the outstanding claims liabilities at 31 December 2014.

With the exception of the above, there has not been any matter or circumstance that has arisen since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the Company's operations in future financial years, the results of those operations or the Company's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### 23. Imputation credit account

The amount of imputation credits available for use in subsequent reporting periods

31 Dec 2013	31 Dec 2014
\$	\$
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Due to the change in ACS's shareholder from Ansvar Insurance Limited to the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust during 2012, the imputation credits available at 31 December 2011 were forfeited on 15 May 2012. Imputation credits were not recognised in the period from 16 May 2012 to 31 December 2012 or the year ended 31 December 2013 as ACS made taxable losses during these periods. ACS generated a taxable profit in the year ended 31 December 2014 but did not recognize any imputation credits as the taxable profit was offset by the carry forward tax losses held at 31 December 2013.

#### 24. Solvency margin

RBNZ Solvency margin (Excess of Actual Solvency Capital over Minimum Solvency Capital)

31 Dec 2014	31 Dec 2013
9,795,138	3,876,568

#### 25. Insurer financial strength rating

In 2013, the Reserve Bank of New Zealand granted ACS with an exemption from the requirement to maintain a financial strength credit rating. Following the granting of this exemption, ACS ceased to be rated by AM Best. Its exit rating, confirmed on 6 November 2013, was a financial strength rating of B+ (Stable).

#### 26. Additional company information

ACS (NZ) Limited is a company incorporated and operating in New Zealand. Its immediate and ultimate parent is the Canterbury Earthquake Church and Heritage Trust.

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