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MMC

IS A GLOBAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FIRM

WITH ANNUAL REVENUES OF APPROXIMATELY \$12 BILLION.

IT IS THE PARENT COMPANY OF MARSH, THE WORLD'S LEADING RISK AND INSURANCE
SERVICES FIRM; GUY CARPENTER, THE WORLD'S LEADING RISK AND REINSURANCE SPECIALIST;
KROLL, THE WORLD'S LEADING RISK CONSULTING COMPANY; MERCER, A MAJOR GLOBAL
PROVIDER OF HUMAN RESOURCE AND SPECIALTY CONSULTING SERVICES;
AND PUTNAM INVESTMENTS, ONE OF THE LARGEST INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES.

APPROXIMATELY 55,000 EMPLOYEES PROVIDE ANALYSIS, ADVICE, AND TRANSACTIONAL

CAPABILITIES TO CLIENTS IN OVER 100 COUNTRIES.

DEAR SHAREHOLDER



2005 was a challenging but productive year for MMC. We began the year responding to questions about MMC's long-term viability, accusations of misdeeds, and indictments. By its close, we had stabilized our operations, preserved the reputation of our market-leading companies, and restored the confidence of our clients and colleagues. The discussion had turned to the speed of our full recovery, the business advantages of our compliance culture, and our focus on the future.

MMC today is a stronger, better-positioned company than it was one year ago. Still, we face important business challenges in 2006 and beyond—executing our strategic plans, realizing efficiencies, and achieving growth.

MMC continues to be a preeminent provider of insurance and reinsurance broking services, retirement and health and benefits consulting, investment management, risk consulting and technology, and investigative services, among others. MMC has always had the best content, exceptional client service, and

talented people, but it has not had the best processes. Our operating structures had frequently been too complicated, our technology too expensive and in need of updating. We lacked the global systems to allow us to measure and integrate our businesses. Some of our compensation plans were too subjective and not sufficiently performance based. Our companies need to be managed more efficiently to meet the demands of the future. We are changing, and changing rapidly.

In 2005, we saw the beginning of a margin restoration story for MMC, which we believe will continue through 2006 and 2007. At the same time, we are confident that increasing demand for our products and services will result in growth opportunities for MMC, particularly as global risks become larger and more complex. MMC companies are capable of providing clients with solutions for their most pressing problems related to health and retirement issues of aging populations, terrorism, intensifying weather patterns, and strategic risks associated with outsourcing. We believe these services give us the

potential for growth that will benefit our clients, employees, and shareholders.

MMC's consolidated revenues in 2005 were \$11.7 billion, compared with \$11.8 billion in 2004. Net income was \$404 million, or \$.74 per share, compared with \$176 million, or \$.33 per share, in 2004. Income from continuing operations in 2005 was \$369 million, or \$.67 per share, compared with \$154 million, or \$.29 per share, in 2004.

MMC substantially strengthened its financial position in 2005. We reduced total net debt at yearend to \$3.5 billion, a reduction of more than \$400 million from \$3.9 billion at the end of 2004. We did

this through strong operating cash flows, successful restructuring actions, and asset dispositions. We refinanced our debt, moved cash back to the United States in a tax-efficient manner, and made significant contributions to our employee pension plans in the United States and the United Kingdom.

Following the completion of a strategic review of operations in 2005, MMC decided to sell certain operations that either were not central to its business or could operate better outside of MMC. We divested

our interest in MMC Capital, the company's private equity subsidiary, to the management team of MMC Capital in May 2005. We sold Marsh's Crump wholesale broking operations and Sedgwick Claims Management Services in October 2005 and January 2006, respectively.

Without great compliance, there cannot be great performance, and our compliance organization has made enormous strides. Our implementation of new transparency standards leads the industry. Throughout 2005, we worked through the regulatory process cooperatively with regulators, and settled with the New York Attorney General, the New York State Insurance Department, and the National

Association of Insurance Commissioners. To date, close to 90 percent of the NYAG settlement fund has been claimed by eligible clients, including over 90 percent of our largest clients. Working through the NAIC, we also entered into a settlement agreement with 33 state insurance commissioners. MMC did the right thing, and did it well.

We also made changes in our executive leadership. To turn my attention fully to my responsibilities at MMC, I stepped down as chief executive officer of Marsh. Brian M. Storms, formerly chief executive officer of Mercer Human Resource Consulting, succeeded me. Brian is a seasoned business leader who brings energy and focus to the task of rebuilding

Marsh. E. Michael Caulfield, who has tionships complement Guy Carpenter's global

more than 30 years of experience in the financial services industry, succeeded Brian as the leader of Mercer Human Resource Consulting. In January, Guy Carpenter's senior management team was strengthened by the appointment of David Spiller as the firm's new president. David's international experience and rela-



Michael G. Cherkasky

strategy of delivering the most effective solutions for clients worldwide.

RISK AND INSURANCE SERVICES

Total risk and insurance services revenues in 2005 were \$5.6 billion, compared with \$6.2 billion in 2004. Two-thirds of this revenue decline was due to Marsh's decision in late 2004 to eliminate the practice of receiving contingent compensation from insurers.

For Marsh, 2005 was a year of stabilizing and rebuilding. The company was resilient and performed well under difficult circumstances, sustained by its

enduring position as a market leader, the depth and breadth of its risk management expertise, its strong global position, its talented people, and the loyalty of its clients. Marsh essentially completed two major staff restructuring programs during the year, while introducing a new contingency-free business model based on regional responsibility for resources and profitability. Reorganizing certain functions should increase efficiencies, leading to simpler, standardized processes. We are investing in technology to drive these changes.

By the end of the year, we saw clear signs that the initial stages of Marsh's recovery were taking hold. Client retention levels improved over the course of the year, most meaningfully in the fourth quarter of 2005. Marsh achieved these results despite continued price declines throughout the year in the commercial insurance marketplace.

Marsh has a focused, long-term strategy for growth, with tremendous assets that give it a powerful advantage in the marketplace. To realize the full economic and competitive potential of its global scale, Marsh is reorganizing and focusing on a global client management framework to meet the opportunities and challenges that arise from conducting business across geographic, cultural, and legal borders. Cost discipline will continue, along with renewed concentration on revenue growth. We are confident that 2006 will be a better year for Marsh.

Guy Carpenter had a solid performance in 2005, generating revenues of \$836 million, compared with \$859 million in 2004. New business was more than offset by higher risk retentions by clients and continued reinsurance premium rate declines throughout most of 2005. The major hurricanes in the second half of 2005 began to affect premium rates for property catastrophe and certain specialty lines, with clients experiencing increased rates. We expect these conditions to continue in 2006. As the world's premier reinsurance broker, Guy Carpenter has the specialized knowledge and expertise to help insurance and reinsurance company clients deal with today's broader, more complex

risks. The capability to provide innovative solutions will create growth opportunities for the future.

RISK CONSULTING AND TECHNOLOGY

MMC's acquisition of Kroll almost two years ago has been very successful. As the world's leading risk consulting firm, Kroll added significantly to MMC's client services in the large and expanding area of risk. Kroll continued to exceed our expectations in 2005, producing revenues of \$946 million, an increase of 21 percent on an underlying basis.

Kroll's technology services business led its strong 2005 performance, with the data recovery and legal technologies businesses attaining significant revenue growth. Revenues from Kroll's employee screening services increased substantially both domestically and internationally, and demand for its innovative identity theft services grew rapidly, driven in part by Marsh and Mercer client relationships. Kroll's corporate advisory and restructuring business was also a strong performer in 2005, as large and important cross-border restructuring assignments added revenues.

In 2006, we expect that Kroll will continue to grow, expanding both organically and through acquisitions. Growth in the consulting businesses will likely be organic, given Kroll's unique ability to integrate traditional and financial investigative skills on a global basis. In the technology businesses, we plan to supplement organic growth with product and geographic expansion, including, where appropriate, strategic acquisitions.

CONSULTING

MMC's consulting sector, which includes human resource consulting and services as well as specialized management and economic consulting, increased revenues 4 percent to \$3.8 billion in 2005.

Mercer Human Resource Consulting is the premier global HR consulting organization: the leader in retirement and health and benefits consulting, and among the largest providers of human capital consulting and HR outsourcing. During 2005, we combined the U.S. health care and employee benefits businesses of Mercer and Marsh to form Mercer Health & Benefits, an organization with unparalleled depth and breadth in this important marketplace. In addition, Mercer Human Resource Consulting invested to transform, broaden, and grow its retirement and human capital consulting and HR outsourcing businesses. It also launched Mercer Global Investments, a multi-manager investment business, in the United States, based on its successful investment business in Australia, and plans to extend this business to other countries. Mercer Human Resource Consulting offers a powerful combination of services to take advantage of the excellent growth potential of its marketplace.

The Mercer Specialty Consulting businesses are also leading players in their specific areas of expertise. This group had excellent revenue growth in 2005, increasing revenues 17 percent to \$909 million, due to strong demand for specialized consulting advice in financial services and risk management, strategy and operations, and economic consulting. As a global provider of sophisticated consulting advice, Mercer Specialty Consulting should continue to grow in 2006, and we will continue to pursue acquisitions that broaden the scope of its consulting services.

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

Putnam's revenues declined 12 percent to \$1.5 billion in 2005 from \$1.7 billion, similar to the 10 percent decline in average assets under management. Putnam had \$189 billion in assets under management at the end of 2005, compared with \$213 billion at year-end 2004.

Putnam's investment performance improved in 2005. For the year, Putnam funds provided competitive results in every category when measured against their peers and benchmark indexes. Putnam's investor services once again exceeded industry standards, winning top honors from DALBAR for the 14th year since 1990 for service excellence to shareholders, annuity contract holders, and brokers.

Putnam's goal is to provide annual returns to investors that are both consistent and dependable and that become superior over the long term. Putnam offers a variety of mutual funds in every asset class as well as other financial products. Its funds are managed by teams of investment professionals with a balance of skills and experience, including traditional and quantitative research techniques. Putnam's 3,000 employees are dedicated to



helping investors around the world meet their investment goals. MMC has invested in Putnam's future by investing in both its senior management team, which has been instrumental in leading the company's recovery, and its professional staff.

LOOKING AHEAD

MMC will move forward aggressively and with a sense of urgency to make changes to maximize long-term shareholder value. Our vision is to be the world's leading global advice and solutions firm. Through our expertise and commitment to excellence, we are dedicated to managing risk, maximizing growth, and creating value for our clients and shareholders. We have strategic plans and executable goals that will make this vision a reality.

To enhance the financial performance of each operating company, MMC is standardizing and simplifying its business processes, establishing best practices, and using technology to make its operations more efficient. The benefit will be the ability to focus more effectively on providing exceptional service to our clients. We are creating a global IT infrastructure for MMC to support our efforts, and have named a chief technology officer to lead the charge.

MMC will move forward as one company, with a common purpose to enhance shareholder value. To the extent that there are synergies among our businesses, we will encourage collaboration among them to deliver comprehensive solutions that address the complex needs of our clients. Our businesses will act based on a common philosophy and culture. We will put our clients first, analyze their problems, and find the right individuals globally who can provide the best solutions. One MMC will mean thought leadership in value-added services.

The steps we are taking should improve the performance of each of our companies and increase the value of MMC as a whole. In 2006, employees of MMC will be judged on performance: performance for our clients, our colleagues, and our company. Over 75 percent of my own compensation will be variable, tied to, among other factors, company and personal objectives such as short- and long-term growth in earnings and revenues, implementation of strategic plans, and compliance. All of our most

senior executives will be compensated similarly, on a performance basis, with individual measures tailored to their particular jobs. When MMC is more successful, our executives will be more successful. That is the essence of one company.

We were pleased to welcome two new members to the MMC Board of Directors this January—Leslie M. Baker, Jr. and Marc D. Oken. We extend our thanks and appreciation to Robert F. Erburu, who will be retiring from the Board at MMC's annual meeting in May. Bob served as non-executive chairman of the Board from March 2005, following his service as lead director of the Board from October 2004. He has been a member of the Board of Directors since 1996.

Sandra S. Wijnberg, senior vice president and chief financial officer of MMC since 2000, is resigning from MMC in March 2006. She is succeeded by M. Michele Burns, who joins MMC as executive vice president and chief financial officer. We greatly appreciate the substantial contributions Sandra has made to MMC and wish her the best for the future.

For 135 years, MMC has developed a reputation as a client-focused organization. Talented and dedicated MMC colleagues around the world remain deeply committed to meeting and exceeding our clients' highest expectations while maintaining the highest professional standards. With that strength as our base, I am confident about the future.

MMC's 55,000 colleagues have demonstrated the ability to persevere in difficult times and continue to provide superior service to clients. As we look ahead, MMC's focus remains the same—to maximize long-term shareholder value. Our objectives are clear, our will is strong, and the result should be a more profitable, faster growing, more valuable MMC.

Michael G. Cherkasky

President and Chief Executive Officer

March 1, 2006



PONENTE

RISK AND INSURANCE SERVICES

Marsh is the world leader in delivering risk and insurance services and solutions to clients. It provides global risk management, risk consulting, insurance broking, financial solutions, and insurance program management services for businesses, public entities, associations, professional services organizations, and private clients. Marsh is organized by client, industry, and risk categories to facilitate the delivery of highly specialized products and services covering a wide spectrum of risks. Specialty practices, which are key elements in Marsh's global client-service capabilities, operate on a worldwide basis.

Guy Carpenter is the world's leading risk and reinsurance specialist, creating and executing reinsurance and risk management solutions for clients worldwide. It provides risk assessment analytics, actuarial services, highly specialized product knowledge, and trading relationships with reinsurance markets throughout the world. Client services also include contract management, claims, and fiduciary accounting. Run-off services and other reinsurance and insurance administration solutions are offered through Guy Carpenter subsidiaries on a fee basis.

RISK CONSULTING AND TECHNOLOGY

Kroll, the world's leading risk consulting company, provides a wide range of investigative, intelligence, financial, security, and technology services to help clients solve problems and capitalize on opportunities. Kroll serves a global clientele of law firms, financial institutions, corporations, nonprofits, government agencies, and individuals.

CONSULTING

MERCER HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTING — Mercer Human Resource Consulting is a global leader for HR and related financial advice, products, and services. Units of Mercer HR include Mercer Health & Benefits, which helps clients design and implement employee health care and insured group benefit programs, and Mercer HR Services, which provides a wide range of HR-related outsourcing services. Mercer Investment Consulting and Mercer Global Investments help retirement plan sponsors and participants and other investors achieve long-term returns with acceptable risk.

MERCER SPECIALTY CONSULTING — Mercer Management Consulting helps enterprises develop, build, and operate strong businesses that deliver shareholder value growth.

Mercer Oliver Wyman is a leader in financial services and risk management consulting.

Mercer Delta Organizational Consulting works with CEOs, executive teams, and boards of directors on issues of leadership, organization, and change. NERA Economic Consulting advises corporations, law firms, courts, and other government entities on the economics of competition, regulation, and finance. Lippincott Mercer helps clients create, develop, and manage their corporate identity and brands.

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

Putnam Investments, one of the oldest and largest money management organizations in the United States, offers a full range of both equity and fixed income products, invested domestically and globally, for individual and institutional investors. Putnam, which manages over 100 mutual funds, has 175 institutional clients and nearly 11 million individual shareholder accounts. It had \$189 billion in assets under management at year-end 2005.

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Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

General

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries ("MMC") is a global professional services firm. MMC's subsidiaries include Marsh Inc. ("Marsh"), the world's leading risk and insurance services firm; Kroll Inc. ("Kroll"), the world's leading risk consulting company; Mercer Inc. ("Mercer"), a major global provider of human resource and specialty consulting services; and Putnam Investments ("Putnam"), one of the largest investment management companies in the United States. MMC's approximately 55,000 employees worldwide provide analysis, advice and transactional capabilities to clients in over 100 countries.

MMC operates in four principal business segments based on the services provided. Risk and Insurance Services includes risk management and insurance and reinsurance broking and services, provided primarily by Marsh and Guy Carpenter. Risk Consulting and Technology, conducted through Kroll, includes risk consulting and related investigative, intelligence, financial, security and technology services. Consulting, which comprises the activities of Mercer Human Resource Consulting and Mercer's Specialty Consulting Businesses, includes human resource consulting and related services, and specialized management and economic consulting services. We conduct Investment Management through Putnam.

We describe the primary sources of revenue and categories of expense for each segment below, in our discussion of segment financial results. Management evaluates performance based on segment operating income, which is after deductions for directly related expenses, but not MMC corporate-level expenses. A reconciliation of segment operating income to total operating income is included in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this report. The accounting policies used for each segment are the same as those used for the consolidated financial statements.

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements, as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. See "Information Concerning Forward-Looking Statements" on page 94 of this report.

Significant Developments in 2005

2005 was a year of transition for MMC. MMC's historical financial information should be viewed in light of the significant developments discussed below.

New Business Model in Risk and Insurance Services

Since 2004, MMC has made significant changes to its business model. Our new business model has three main aspects: a commitment to make all fees and other remuneration earned by MMC for the placement of insurance coverage fully transparent to our clients in the U.S. and in major markets around the world; the elimination of contingent compensation or market services agreements with insurers; and an initiative to offset, to the extent possible, lost market services revenue by increasing brokerage commissions and fees.

During 2005, MMC made significant progress implementing the requirements of the settlement agreement with the Office of the New York State Attorney General ("NYAG") and the New York State Insurance Department ("NYSID"). We developed and rolled-out compliance infrastructure and governance processes; developed and rolled-out transparency standards and related policies and procedures; trained employees in core and certain specialty business lines; and established compliance monitoring groups to measure compliance. While Marsh is the MMC subsidiary most directly affected by these settlement-related activities, Guy Carpenter and Mercer's health and benefits practices are also affected.

MMC's revenue in 2005 was impacted by a \$417 million decrease in market services revenue. In 2005, market services revenue of \$124 million, related to insurance placements made prior to October 1, 2004, was recognized in the financial statements. It is expected that market services revenue recognized in 2006 will be significantly lower than in 2005.

As discussed above, our new business model includes an initiative whereby Marsh seeks to increase revenue through higher commissions and fees that are disclosed to its clients. Management expects that this incremental revenue will affect MMC's results in 2006. Given the relatively recent launch of Marsh's compensation initiative and the competitive challenges we currently face in the insurance brokerage market, it is difficult to predict the specific timing and amount of this revenue impact.

In addition to the impact on revenue of the elimination of market services agreements ("MSA"), revenues in the risk and insurance services segment were affected by declining commercial insurance premium rates during most of 2005. Premium rate decreases began to abate in the fourth quarter of 2005 due to the initial effects of the major storms that hit the United States. A more significant impact on reinsurance premium rates as a result of the storms is expected in the first quarter of 2006.

At December 31, 2005, the balance of accounts receivable related to accrued market services revenue earned prior to October 1, 2004 was approximately \$130 million. MMC intends to collect outstanding MSA revenue earned prior to October 1, 2004, and is enforcing its contractual rights to collect amounts due. In December 2005, MMC initiated arbitration proceedings against certain insurance carriers for this purpose. However, there is no assurance that MMC will collect all amounts due. To the extent MMC does not collect accrued amounts, a charge to earnings would result.

As discussed in Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements, in connection with the January 2005 settlement agreement with the NYAG and NYSID, MMC established an \$850 million policyholder fund. Policyholders representing 88% of the value of the fund, or approximately \$750 million, opted to participate and have signed a release related to all matters alleged in the NYAG lawsuit and NYSID amended citation, except for claims which are based on, arise out of, or relate to the purchase or sale of MMC securities.

Also as discussed in Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements, on September 21, 2005, working with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (the "NAIC"), MMC reached a multi-state regulatory settlement. The NAIC settlement agreement adopts the business reforms and the \$850 million fund for policyholder clients provided by MMC's previous settlement with the NYAG and NYSID. The NAIC agreement has been executed by MMC and Marsh, and as of February 17, 2006, has been adopted by insurance commissioners in 33 states and the District of Columbia and Guam.

Restructuring

In response to MMC's changed business environment, we initiated restructuring activities in the fourth quarter of 2004 and first quarter of 2005. The restructuring plans are described in more detail in Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements.

During 2005, net restructuring expenses were \$317 million, primarily related to the 2005 restructuring plan. These charges comprise severance and other termination benefits of \$196 million related to the elimination of approximately 2,600 employee positions, future rent under non-cancelable leases of \$116 million and other costs of \$41 million, partially offset by a \$36 million gain from the sale of certain small commercial accounts and other dispositions. In addition, in 2005 MMC incurred incremental expense related to the accelerated amortization of leasehold improvements of \$12 million. Additional charges of approximately \$50 million are expected to be incurred in 2006, largely in the first half of the year, as the remaining actions contemplated under the 2005 restructuring plan are completed.

Annual savings of \$375 million are expected when the 2005 plan is fully implemented. Results in 2005 reflect approximately \$160 million of savings realized from the 2005 plan, with the remaining savings of approximately \$215 million expected in 2006. All of the savings from the 2005 restructuring plan relate to the risk and insurance services segment. Results in 2005 also reflect savings of approximately \$400 million resulting from the 2004 restructuring plan.

Employee Retention Initiatives

In late 2004, and in 2005, MMC initiated a number of actions designed to retain and motivate employees throughout our businesses. Retention awards were granted, primarily in risk and insurance services and consulting, resulting in additional costs of \$115 million in 2005. In addition, stock option exchange programs were offered to employees who held deeply underwater MMC or Putnam options. The option exchange programs are discussed in more detail later in this MD&A. MMC also implemented new or expanded long-term incentive programs in several of its businesses.

Businesses Exited in 2005

In October 2005, Marsh completed the sale of Crump Group, Inc., its U.S.-based wholesale insurance broker. The gain on the sale of \$14 million, net of tax, was recognized in the fourth quarter. In December 2005 MMC agreed to sell its majority interest in Sedgwick CMS Holdings. The sale was completed on January 31, 2006, and we will recognize the associated gain on the sale in the first quarter of 2006. In the fourth quarter of 2005, MMC determined that the Crump and SCMS businesses met the criteria to be classified as discontinued operations. All previously reported financial information has been reclassified to conform with the current presentation. See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements for further information regarding these dispositions.

In May 2005, MMC sold the assets of MMC Capital, which had been MMC's private equity management subsidiary, to Stone Point Capital LLC ("Stone Point"), an entity controlled by the former managers of MMC Capital for approximately \$3 million. At the time of the asset sale, Stone Point assumed responsibility for management of the Trident Funds and other private equity funds previously managed by MMC Capital. MMC does not participate in the investment decisions or management of Stone Point or the private equity funds managed by Stone Point. MMC, through its subsidiary Risk Capital Holdings, continues to own investments in firms such as Ace Ltd., XL Capital Ltd. and Axis Capital Holdings, Ltd., as well as its investments in the Trident Funds and other funds managed by Stone Point, which have a total recorded value at December 31, 2005 of approximately \$397 million. MMC no longer receives management fees or origination fees related to Stone Point's asset management business, but may receive performance fees from Trident Funds II and III based on each fund's aggregate rate of return. MMC continues to receive dividends and to recognize capital

appreciation or depreciation on the investments held by Risk Capital Holdings and has approximately \$190 million of remaining capital commitments to funds managed by Stone Point.

Long-Term Financings

In December 2005, MMC and certain of its foreign subsidiaries entered into a new five-year \$1.2 billion multi-currency revolving credit facility. Subsidiary borrowings under the facility are unconditionally guaranteed by MMC. The new facility, which will expire in 2010, replaced MMC's \$1.0 billion and \$700 million revolving credit facilities which were scheduled to expire in 2007 and 2009, respectively. In December 2005, certain of MMC's foreign subsidiaries borrowed approximately \$510 million under the new facility, primarily to fund the repatriation of accumulated earnings pursuant to the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004. In connection with the termination of its previous revolving credit facilities, MMC recorded as interest expense a \$7 million write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs.

In September 2005, MMC completed two financings to enhance liquidity. MMC returned to the public capital markets, issuing \$550 million of 5.15% Senior Notes due 2010 and \$750 million of 5.75% Senior Notes due 2015. The proceeds from these notes were used to pay down outstanding bank borrowings that were scheduled to mature in December 2006.

Also in September 2005, MMC refinanced its headquarters building in New York by entering into a 30-year, \$475 million mortgage loan agreement at a fixed annual rate of 5.7%. This replaced the existing \$200 million, 9.8% mortgage due in 2009. The incremental proceeds, net of a \$34 million prepayment charge, were used to pay down outstanding short-term debt.

Consolidated Results of Operations

(In millions, except per share figures)	20	005	2	2004	:	2003
Revenue:						
Service Revenue	\$11	,469	\$1	1,561	\$1	1,100
Investment Income (Loss)		183		200		100
Operating Revenue	11	,652	1	1,761	1	1,200
Expense:						
Compensation and Benefits	6	,945		6,706		5,710
Other Operating Expenses	3	3,811		3,486		3,032
Regulatory and Other Settlements		40		969		10
Operating Expenses	10	,796	1	1,161		8,752
Operating Income	\$	856	\$	600	\$	2,448
Income from Continuing Operations	\$	369	\$	154	\$	1,516
Discontinued Operations, net of tax		35		22		24
Net Income	\$	404	\$	176	\$	1,540
Income from Continuing Operations Per Share:						
Basic	\$	0.69	\$	0.29	\$	2.85
Diluted	\$	0.67	\$	0.29	\$	2.77
Net Income Per Share:						
Basic	\$	0.75	\$	0.33	\$	2.89
Diluted	\$	0.74	\$	0.33	\$	2.81
Average Number of Shares Outstanding:						
Basic		538		526		533
Diluted		543		535		548

Consolidated operating income in 2005 increased 43% to \$856 million, reflecting significantly lower costs related to regulatory settlements at Marsh and Putnam and savings from restructuring initiatives partly offset by lower revenues in risk and insurance services and investment management, employee retention costs and incremental costs from the implementation of SFAS 123(R). Risk and insurance services results in 2005 include the impact of a \$402 million decrease in MSA revenue. The segment's 2004 results were impacted by an \$850 million charge relating to the settlement agreement reached with the NYAG and NYSID. Investment management results in 2005 reflect reduced costs for regulatory settlements and related charges, partly offset by a decline in revenue resulting from lower assets under management. Results for Consulting reflect a 4% increase in revenue and lower costs for restructuring and restructuring-related charges. Results for Risk Consulting and Technology in 2005 reflect a full year of operations for Kroll, which was acquired in July 2004. Corporate results in 2005 include restructuring charges of \$59 million, incremental compensation expense of \$64 million, primarily related to stock options resulting from the adoption of SFAS 123(R) as of July 1, 2005, and \$30 million of settlement and other costs. In 2004, corporate expenses included a credit of \$105 million for insurance recoveries related to World Trade Center losses.

Consolidated Revenues and Expenses

Consolidated revenue for the year ended December 31, 2005 of \$11.7 billion was 1% lower than in 2004. Reduced revenue in the risk and insurance services and investment management segments was offset by increases in the risk consulting & technology, and consulting segments. Revenue

decreased 6% on an underlying basis, which measures the change in revenue before the impact of acquisitions and dispositions and using constant currency rates. Excluding the impact of the elimination of MSAs, underlying revenue decreased 3%.

The impact of foreign currency translation, acquisitions and dispositions on MMC's operating revenue by segments is as follows:

	Twelve Months Ended			Compor	ents of Reven	evenue Change	
	Decem	ber 31,	% Change GAAP	e Acquisit Currency Disposit		Underlying	
(In millions, except percentage figures)	2005	2004	Revenue	Impact	Impact	Revenue(a)	
Risk and Insurance Services							
Insurance Services (a)	\$ 4,567	\$ 5,166	(12)%	1%	_	(13)%	
Reinsurance Services	836	859	(3)%	1%	_	(4)%	
Risk Capital Holdings (b)	189	180	5%	_	(8)%	13%	
Total Risk and Insurance Services (c)	5,592	6,205	(10)%	1%	_	(11)%	
Risk Consulting & Technology (c)	946	405	133%	(1)%	113%	21%	
Consulting							
Human Resource Consulting (c)	2,708	2,704	_	1%	_	(1)%	
Specialty Consulting	909	774	17%	_	1%	16%	
	3,617	3,478	4%	1%	_	3%	
Reimbursed Expenses	185	159					
Total Consulting	3,802	3,637	4%	1%	_	3%	
Investment Management	1,506	1,710	(12)%	_	_	(12)%	
Total Operating Segments (c)	\$11,846	\$11,957	(1)%	1%	4%	(6)%	
Corporate/Eliminations	(194)	(196)					
Total (c)	\$11,652	\$11,761	(1)%	1%	4%	(6)%	

	Twelve Mo	Twelve Months Ended			Revenue Change
(In millions, except percentage figures)	Decem 2004	ber 31, 2003	% Change GAAP Revenue	Underlying Revenue(a)	Currency/ Acquisitions Impact
Risk and Insurance Services (c)	\$ 6,205	\$ 6,133	1%	(3)%	4%
Risk Consulting & Technology (c)	405	19	100+%	(18)%	100+%
Consulting (c)	3,637	3,290	11%	3%	8%
Investment Management	1,710	1,955	(13)%	(13)%	
Total Operating Segments Corporate/Eliminations	\$11,957 (196)	\$11,397 (197)	5%	(3)%	8%
Total Revenue (c)	\$11,761	\$11,200	5%	(3)%	8%

- (a) Underlying revenue measures the change in revenue before the impact of acquisitions and dispositions, using constant currency exchange rates. Underlying revenue for Insurance Services in 2005 decreased 13% in the twelve months, including a 7% decline related to market services agreements, and for the Risk and Insurance Services segment underlying revenue decreased 11% in the twelve months, including a 6% decline related to market services agreements.
- (b) Risk Capital Holdings owns MMC's investments in insurance and financial services firms such as Ace Ltd., XL Capital Ltd., and Axis Capital Holdings Ltd., as well as the Trident funds.
- (c) Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year amounts to conform with current presentation. The data presented above excludes the results of the U.S. wholesale broking and claims management businesses, which are classified as discontinued operations.

During 2005, revenue in the risk and insurance services segment decreased 10% from 2004. Underlying revenue declined 11%, resulting from a \$402 million decline in market services revenue, lower levels of new business and renewals and the impact of lower insurance premium rates. These declines were partly offset by the impact of foreign currency exchange rates. Risk consulting & technology revenue increased \$541 million. Due to the acquisition of Kroll in July 2004, results in 2005 include, for the first time, a full year of revenue for Kroll, compared with six months of revenue in 2004. Underlying growth in risk consulting & technology was 21%, due to growth in Kroll's technology services, corporate advisory and restructuring, and background screening businesses. Consulting revenue increased 4%, resulting from a 17% increase in Mercer's specialty consulting businesses. Investment management revenue declined 12% as a result of the decrease in assets under management and lower investment income.

Consolidated operating expenses decreased 3% from 2004 to 2005. This was primarily due to savings from restructuring initiatives and lower regulatory and other settlement expenses, partly offset by employee retention costs, the impact of acquisitions, higher benefits costs, and incremental costs, primarily related to stock options, resulting from the implementation of SFAS 123 (R). In addition, Putnam's expenses in 2005 include a charge of \$37 million for the estimated cost necessary to address issues relating to the calculation of certain amounts previously paid to Putnam by the Putnam mutual funds in the form of cost reimbursements to Putnam for transfer agency services relating to defined contribution operations. Expenses in 2004 include an \$850 million charge related to the NYAG/NYSID settlement, costs of \$224 million related to Putnam's settlement and agreements with the SEC and Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and restructuring costs of \$337 million, partly offset by a \$105 million credit from the final insurance settlement related to World Trade Center losses.

Consolidated revenue in 2004 increased 5% from 2003. The increase in revenue was primarily due to the impact of acquisitions and foreign exchange. Revenue decreased 3% on an underlying basis, primarily driven by a decrease in investment management revenue due to a decline in average assets under management and a decrease in risk and insurance services revenue resulting from a decision to no longer accept MSA revenue for placements made after September 30, 2004. These revenue declines were partially offset by an increase in underlying revenues in consulting due to higher demand for strategic advice.

Consolidated operating expenses increased 27% in 2004 over 2003, of which 10% was due to the effects of acquisitions and foreign exchange. Expenses in 2004 also include an \$850 million charge related to the settlement agreement with the NYAG and the NYSID, charges of \$224 million related to Putnam's settlement agreements, costs of \$337 million related to restructuring MMC's businesses, severance of \$108 million incurred prior to implementation of the restructuring plan in the fourth quarter and increased pension costs of \$93 million. These costs were partially offset by a decrease in amortization expense for prepaid dealer commissions, a credit to compensation expense related to the settlement with Putnam's former chief executive officer and a credit of \$105 million from the final settlement with insurers for claims related to the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center.

Risk and Insurance Services

In the Risk and Insurance Services segment, MMC's subsidiaries and other affiliated entities act as brokers, agents or consultants for insureds, insurance underwriters and other brokers in the areas of risk management, insurance broking and insurance program management services, primarily under the name of Marsh; and engage in reinsurance broking, catastrophe and financial modeling services and related advisory functions, primarily under the name of Guy Carpenter.

Marsh and Guy Carpenter are compensated for brokerage and consulting services primarily through fees paid by clients and commissions paid out of premiums charged by insurance and reinsurance companies. Commission rates vary in amount depending upon the type of insurance or reinsurance coverage provided, the particular insurer or reinsurer, the capacity in which the broker acts and negotiations with clients. Revenues are affected by premium rate levels in the insurance markets, since compensation is frequently related to the premiums paid by insureds. In many cases, compensation may be negotiated in advance on the basis of the estimated value of the services to be performed. Revenue is also affected by fluctuations in the amount of risk retained by insurance and reinsurance clients themselves and by increases or decreases in the value of the risks that have been insured, new and lost business, and the volume of business from new and existing clients.

Effective October 1, 2004, Marsh eliminated contingent compensation, or market services agreements with insurers, under which it had earned revenues based upon such factors as the overall volume, growth and, in some cases, profitability, of the total business placed by Marsh with a given insurer. The circumstances under which we terminated our market services agreements, and the related revenue impact in our Risk and Insurance Services segment, are discussed above under "Significant Developments in 2005 — New Business Model in Risk and Insurance Services."

For billing and other administrative services, Marsh and Guy Carpenter receive interest income on certain funds (such as premiums and claims proceeds) held in a fiduciary capacity for others. The investment of fiduciary funds is regulated by state and other insurance authorities. These regulations typically provide for segregation of fiduciary funds and limit the types of investments that may be made with them. Interest income from these investments varies depending on the amount of funds invested and applicable interest rates, both of which vary from time to time.

Following the sale of MMC Capital's business in May 2005, discussed above under "Significant Developments in 2005 — Businesses Exited in 2005," we no longer receive fees in connection with the private equity investments previously managed by MMC Capital, nor do we receive management fees or origination fees related to this business. We continue to receive dividends and to recognize capital appreciation or depreciation on the investments held by Risk Capital Holdings, as well as revenue on Risk Capital Holding's sales of investments from time to time.

The results of operations for the risk and insurance services segment are presented below:

(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Revenue	\$5,592	\$6,205	\$6,133
Expense	5,287	6,121	4,526
Operating Income	\$ 305	\$ 84	\$1,607
Operating Income Margin	5.5%	1.4%	26.2%

Revenue

Revenue in the risk and insurance services segment decreased 10% in 2005 compared with 2004, reflecting decreases in both insurance services and reinsurance services revenue.

In insurance services, underlying revenue decreased 13%. Excluding the impact of decreased market services revenue, underlying revenue decreased 6%, reflecting lower new business volume and lower commercial premium rates. The decrease in underlying revenue was most significant in the United States; however, the percentage decline improved in the fourth quarter compared with earlier quarters in 2005 despite continued premium rate declines in the commercial insurance marketplace.

Market services revenue declined from \$521 million in 2004 to \$119 million in 2005. Effective October 1, 2004, Marsh agreed to eliminate contingent compensation agreements with insurers. The

market services revenue recognized in 2005 relates to placements made prior to October 1, 2004. Marsh did not accrue a portion of market services revenue earned on those placements because it could not complete its normal process to determine that collection of these amounts was reasonably assured for certain contracts. Any such revenue earned prior to but not accrued at September 30, 2004 is recognized when collected or when confirmation of the amount of payment is received from the carriers. This resulted in the recognition of market services revenue of \$119 million in 2005. It is expected that market services revenue in 2006 will be significantly lower than in 2005.

Reinsurance premium rates in the U.S. property catastrophe and certain specialty lines appear to be increasing due to the effects of the recent hurricanes on insurance marketplace conditions, and have affected revenue in the first quarter of 2006. However, revenue from sales of investments by Risk Capital Holdings is expected to decline in 2006, and it remains difficult to estimate the amount and timing of the incremental revenue to be generated by Marsh's commission and fee initiative described above.

Revenue for the risk and insurance services segment grew 1% in 2004 over 2003. Underlying revenue declined 3%. In insurance services underlying revenue decreased 6% primarily due to a reduction in MSA revenue from \$820 million in 2003 to \$521 million in 2004. This excludes the market services revenue of \$20 million in 2004 and \$25 million in 2003 related to the employee benefits business transferred to Consulting effective April 1, 2005. Client revenue increased approximately 1%, reflecting 3% growth in Europe and 4% growth in other international markets, partially offset by a 2% decline in North America. Underlying revenue in reinsurance broking remained unchanged.

Expense

Expenses in the risk and insurance services segment decreased 14% in 2005, compared with the prior year. Expenses in 2004 included a \$850 million charge related to the settlement with the NYAG and NYSID.

Expenses in 2005 include restructuring costs of \$255 million related to the restructuring activities we initiated in 2005 (the "2005 Plan"), discussed below, as well as \$78 million of costs related to employee retention programs, \$88 million related to incremental regulatory and compliance costs, and higher benefit costs due to higher pension expense. Expenses in 2005 also include costs of approximately \$2 million related to restructuring activities that began in the fourth quarter of 2004. The expense increases described above more than offset expense savings resulting from the restructuring activities undertaken in 2004 and 2005.

In 2005 charges of \$255 million related to the 2005 Plan were incurred, primarily for severance and benefits related to staff reductions affecting approximately 2,600 employees and for future rent under non-cancelable leases. Annualized savings of approximately \$375 million are expected in the risk and insurance services segment when the 2005 Plan is fully implemented in the first half of 2006. Of this amount, \$160 million was realized in 2005 and the remaining \$215 million of expected savings should be realized in 2006. Additional restructuring charges related to the 2005 plan of \$50 million are expected to be incurred in 2006, largely in the first half of the year.

In 2004, risk and insurance services expenses increased 35% over 2003. Approximately 20% of the increase was due to an \$850 million charge for the settlement agreement with the NYAG and the NYSID and legal and other costs of \$31 million related to this matter. Expenses in 2004 included restructuring charges of \$231 million, including severance and other termination benefits, future rent under non-cancelable leases and lease termination costs and incremental amortization of \$7 million related to accelerated amortization or abandonment of leasehold improvements. Expenses in 2004 also included \$8 million for employee retention programs. In connection with accounting guidance

issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in the U.K., MMC reassessed its obligation to provide future claims handling and certain administrative services for brokerage clients in the European marketplace. MMC determined that under certain circumstances it is obligated to provide such services based on its current business practices and recorded a pre-tax charge of approximately \$65 million to reflect the change in estimated cost to provide these services. The effects of acquisitions and foreign exchange increased expenses by 6%. On an underlying basis, and excluding the items previously discussed, expenses increased 4%.

Risk Consulting and Technology

MMC's Risk Consulting and Technology segment consists of Kroll and its subsidiaries, acquired by MMC in July 2004. The segment also includes portions of the risk consulting business previously managed by Marsh under the Risk and Insurance Services segment. The services previously managed by Marsh include forensic accounting, insurance claims accounting, and preparation and crisis consulting. Kroll delivers its services through four business groups: consulting services; corporate advisory & restructuring; security; and technology services.

Kroll receives compensation for its risk consulting and technology services in the form of fees paid by clients. These fees are typically earned on an hourly, project, fixed fee or per unit basis. Kroll's revenue is subject to changes in international economic and regulatory conditions. Some of Kroll's revenue sources are counter-cyclical to the performance of the economy in general. These sources may include, for example, fees from restructuring, turnaround and forensic engagements relating to commercial bankruptcies and bond defaults. Kroll is also subject to normal competitive forces such as pricing pressures, demand for professional staff and new product development on the part of competitors, particularly in technology services.

The results of operations for the risk consulting and technology segment are presented below:

(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Revenue	\$ 946	\$ 405	\$ 19
Expense	822	357	27
Operating Income	\$ 124	\$ 48	\$ (8)
Operating Income Margin	13.1%	11.9%	(42.1)%

Results of Operations

The year-to-year comparisons of the segment's revenue, expense and operating income are significantly impacted by the fact that we acquired Kroll in July 2004. As a result, 2004 results include only six months of Kroll's operations. Underlying revenue growth in 2005 was 21% due to growth in the technology services, corporate advisory and restructuring and background screening practices. Expenses include amortization of identified intangible assets of \$58 million and \$24 million in 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Consulting

MMC conducts business in its Consulting segment through Mercer Inc. and its subsidiaries and affiliates. Mercer operates through two main business groups. Mercer Human Resource Consulting includes practice groups specializing in retirement and investment consulting, human resource services and investments, health and benefits and human capital. The Mercer Specialty Consulting Businesses focus on management consulting, organizational design and change management, and economic consulting.

The major component of Mercer's revenue, in both Mercer Human Resource Consulting and the Mercer Specialty Consulting Businesses, is fees paid by clients for advice and services. Mercer Human Resource Consulting, principally through its Health & Benefits line of business, also earns significant revenue in the form of commissions received from insurance companies for the placement of group (and occasionally individual) insurance contracts, primarily life, health and accident coverages. Revenue for Mercer Global Investment's discretionary investment management business and certain of Mercer HR Services and Investment's defined contribution administration services consists principally of fees based on assets under administration.

Revenue in the consulting business is affected by, among other things, global economic conditions, including changes in clients' particular industries and markets. Revenue is also subject to competition due to the introduction of new products and services, broad trends in employee demographics, the effect of government policies and regulations, and fluctuations in interest and foreign exchange rates. Revenues from the provision of discretionary investment management services and retirement trust and administrative services are significantly affected by securities market performance.

The results of operations for the consulting segment are presented below:

(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Revenue	\$3,802	\$3,637	\$3,290
Expense	3,351	3,228	2,829
Operating Income	\$ 451	\$ 409	\$ 461
Operating Income Margin	11.9%	11.2%	14.0%

Revenue

Consulting revenue in 2005 increased 4% compared with 2004. On an underlying basis, revenue increased 3%, due to a 16% increase in Mercer's specialty consulting businesses, partly offset by a 1% decline in human resources consulting. The increase in underlying revenue in specialty consulting reflects increases of 24% in management consulting, reflecting a 25% increase in Mercer Oliver Wyman, and 6% in economic consulting. Within the human resources consulting businesses, underlying revenue decreased 1%, reflecting a decline in the revenue associated with defined contribution plan assets previously administered by Putnam and transferred to Mercer effective January 1, 2005, increased pricing competition on traditional actuarial valuation services, and a decline in the employee benefits business transferred from Marsh to Mercer. These declines were partly offset by strong growth in human capital consulting.

Consulting revenue in 2004 increased 11% over 2003. Acquisitions, which accounted for 4% of the revenue growth in 2004, include Synhrgy HR Technologies which closed in January, 2004, and Oliver, Wyman & Company ("OWC") which closed on April 1, 2003. On an underlying basis, revenue increased 3%. In Mercer HR Consulting, underlying revenue was flat. In Mercer's specialty consulting businesses, underlying revenue increased 13%.

Expense

Consulting expenses increased 4% in 2005 compared with 2004. On an underlying basis, expenses increased 3%, as savings from restructuring activity and lower costs for restructuring were offset by employee retention costs, increased benefits costs and higher expenses in specialty consulting due to a higher volume of business.

Consulting expenses increased 14% in 2004 compared with 2003. Expenses in 2004 included restructuring charges of \$62 million, including severance and other termination benefits and future

rent under non-cancelable leases and lease termination costs as well as incremental expense of \$7 million related to accelerated amortization or abandonment of leasehold improvements and other assets. Expenses in 2004 also included \$4 million for employee retention programs. In addition, the impact of acquisitions and foreign exchange increased expense by 9%. On an underlying basis, and excluding the items discussed above, expenses increased 2%, primarily due to higher employee compensation and benefit costs.

Investment Management

MMC conducts business in its Investment Management segment through Putnam. Putnam provides investment management and related services through a broad range of investment products, including the Putnam Funds, its own family of mutual funds which are offered to individual and institutional investors. In support of the primary investment management business, Putnam subsidiaries provide other related services including transfer agency, underwriting, distribution, shareholder services, custodial, trustee and other fiduciary services. PFTC serves as transfer agent, dividend disbursing agent, registrar and custodian for the Putnam Funds and provides custody services to several external clients.

Putnam's revenue is derived primarily from investment management and 12b-1 fees (described more fully below) received from the Putnam Funds and investment management fees for institutional accounts. Putnam also receives fees from the Putnam Funds for administrative services performed by PFTC.

Putnam companies receive fees for the investment management services provided to the Putnam Funds and institutional accounts pursuant to investment advisory contracts under which the mutual fund or institutional investor pays fees to the Putnam company that manages the fund or account. The amount of the fees varies depending on the individual mutual fund or institutional account. Fees are usually based on a sliding scale in relation to assets under management, and, in some cases are also based on investment performance. These advisory contracts generally may be terminated by either party without penalty, and contracts with the Putnam Funds must be approved annually by the fund's shareholders or trustees, including a majority who are not affiliated with Putnam. Putnam management and the fund trustees regularly review the Putnam Fund contract fee structures in light of fund performance, the level and range of services provided, and current industry conditions.

Investment management revenues depend largely on the total value and composition of Putnam's assets under management. Assets under management are particularly affected by fluctuations in domestic and international stock and bond market prices, and the net level of investments and withdrawals by current and new mutual fund shareholders and institutional clients. Items affecting revenue also include, but are not limited to, actual and relative investment performance, service to clients, the development and marketing of new investment products, the relative attractiveness of Putnam's investment styles under prevailing market conditions, changes in the investment patterns of fund shareholders and institutional clients and Putnam's ability to maintain investment management and administrative fees at current levels.

All open-end Putnam funds other than money market funds have adopted distribution plans pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, commonly referred to as 12b-1 plans. Pursuant to these 12b-1 plans, the Putnam Funds make payments to PRM to cover costs relating to distribution of the Putnam Funds and services provided to shareholders, at rates that differ by class of fund shares. These payments, known as Rule 12b-1 fees, enable PRM to pay service fees and other continuing compensation to firms that distribute shares of the Putnam Funds and provide services to fund shareholders. PRM retains some Rule 12b-1 fees as compensation for the costs of distribution and other services provided by Putnam and its affiliates to shareholders and for commissions advanced by Putnam at the point of sale (and recovered through fees received over

time) to firms that distribute shares of the Putnam Funds. These 12b-1 plans, and Rule 12b-1 fees paid by the Putnam Funds thereunder, are subject to annual renewal by the fund trustees and to termination by vote of the fund shareholders or by vote of a majority of the trustees who are not affiliated with Putnam.

PFTC receives compensation from the Putnam Funds for its administrative (transfer agency and shareholder services) and custodial services pursuant to, respectively, investor servicing agreements which may be terminated by either party on 90 days' notice, and pursuant to written custody agreements which may be terminated by either party on 30 days' notice. These contracts generally provide for compensation on the basis of several factors which vary with the type of service being provided. The transfer agent servicing fee received by PFTC is a fixed rate per account for retail shareholders and a fixed rate service fee based on assets under management for mutual fund defined contribution shareholders.

The results of operations for the investment management segment are presented below:

(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Revenue	\$1,506	\$1,710	\$ 1,955
Expense	1,243	1,612	1,452
Operating Income	\$ 263	\$ 98	\$ 503
Operating Income Margin	17.5%	5.7%	25.7%

Revenue

Putnam's revenue decreased 12% in 2005, reflecting a decrease in fees due to a decline in assets under management, lower 12b-1 fee revenue, and decreased investment gains. Assets under management averaged \$196 billion in 2005, a 10% decline from the \$217 billion managed in 2004. Assets under management aggregated \$189 billion at December 31, 2005, compared with \$213 billion at December 31, 2004. The change in assets under management from December 31, 2004 results primarily from net redemptions of \$31 billion, partly offset by the positive impact of market performance. We expect average assets under management to decline in 2006.

Putnam receives service fees from the Putnam mutual funds for transfer agent, custody, and other administrative services, as contracted by the Trustees of the Putnam mutual funds. Effective January 2005, the transfer agent service fee agreement was converted to a fixed rate per retail shareholder account and a fixed rate service fee based on average assets under management for mutual fund assets in defined contribution plans. For the first six months of 2004, the transfer agent service fee agreement was based on the reimbursement of the cost of service. For the third and fourth quarters of 2004, transfer agent service fees were based on a fixed fee and recorded as revenue. The change in the service fee agreement resulted in an increase in both service fee revenue and expense of approximately \$32 million in 2005 compared with 2004. The change in the service fee contract is expected to have an immaterial impact on operating income in future quarters.

At the end of 2005, assets held in equity securities represented 68% of assets under management, compared with 69% in 2004 and 72% in 2003, while investments in fixed income products represented 32%, compared with 31% in 2004 and 28% in 2003.

Putnam's revenue decreased 13% in 2004, reflecting a decrease in fees due to a decline in average assets under management, partially offset by higher investment gains, higher equity income resulting from THL transaction fees related to private equity investments and increased transfer agent fees. Assets under management averaged \$217 billion for the year ended December 31, 2004, a 16% decline from the \$258 billion managed in 2003. Assets under management aggregated \$213 billion at

December 31, 2004 compared with \$240 billion at December 31, 2003. The change from December 31, 2003 primarily resulted from net redemptions of \$51 billion, partly offset by increases due to market appreciation of \$16 billion and the consolidation of PanAgora's \$8 billion of assets under management as of July 2004.

The change in the service fee calculation mentioned above resulted in an increase in both service fee revenue and expenses of approximately \$41 million during the second half of 2004.

Year-end and average assets under management are presented below:

(In billions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Mutual Funds:			
Growth Equity	\$ 31	\$ 38	\$ 46
Value Equity	37	41	43
Blend Equity	26	28	32
Fixed Income	32	36	42
	126	143	163
Institutional:			
Equity	34	40	51
Fixed Income	29	30	26
	63	70	77
Year-end Assets	\$189	\$213	\$240
Assets from Non-US Investors	\$ 32	\$ 38	\$ 39
Average Assets	\$196	\$217	\$258
Components of year-to-date change in ending	assets under man	agement:	
Net Redemptions including Dividends			
Reinvested	\$ (31)	\$ (51)	\$ (61)
Impact of PanAgora Acquisition	\$ —	\$ 8	\$ —
Impact of Market/Performance	\$ 7	\$ 16	\$ 50

The categories of mutual fund assets reflect style designations aligned with each fund's prospectus.

Expense

Expenses for 2005 decreased 23% from 2004. Expenses in 2005 include a \$37 million charge for the estimated costs necessary to address issues relating to the calculation of certain amounts previously paid to Putnam by the Putnam mutual funds in the form of cost reimbursements to Putnam for transfer agency services relating to defined contribution operations. Expenses in 2004 include a charge of \$224 million related to Putnam's regulatory settlements with the SEC and the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on market-timing issues. Other expense reductions in 2005 include lower compensation and severance costs, reduced costs related to regulatory issues, a decrease in amortization expense for prepaid dealer commissions and a decrease in restructuring charges. These reductions were partially offset by an increase in expenses previously borne by the funds under the prior transfer agent service agreement. Putnam's expenses in 2004 include a \$25 million credit to compensation expense associated with the settlement with Putnam's former chief executive officer. Equity awards granted in September 2005 are expected to increase Putnam's expenses by approximately \$26 million in 2006.

Expenses in 2004, which increased 11% from 2003, included \$224 million for Putnam's regulatory settlements with the SEC and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Restructuring costs totaled

\$26 million, including \$10 million related to a start-up hedge fund management business at MMC that was subsequently discontinued. Other significant items recorded in 2004 were severance of \$57 million incurred prior to the fourth quarter restructuring, as well as incremental costs related to regulatory issues and repositioning Putnam, including legal and audit costs of \$45 million and communications costs of \$16 million. In 2004, Putnam discontinued the practice of directing brokerage commissions and virtually eliminated the use of soft dollars, causing expenses to increase by approximately \$40 million. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in amortization expense for prepaid dealer commissions and a \$25 million credit to compensation expense associated with the settlement with Putnam's former chief executive officer.

Corporate Items

Corporate Expenses

Corporate expenses were \$287 million in 2005 compared to \$39 million in 2004. Expenses in 2005 include \$64 million of incremental expenses, primarily related to stock options, resulting from the adoption of SFAS 123 (R) effective July 1, 2005. The incremental cost related to the implementation of SFAS 123 (R) is being charged to corporate and not to the operating segments in 2005 because this expense is excluded from the operating company results reviewed by MMC's chief operating decision maker for performance measurement. In addition, \$6 million was recorded for severance and other termination benefits related to the 2005 Plan, and a charge of \$49 million was recorded in the first quarter related to the consolidation of office space in London. Because the office consolidation was initiated by MMC to benefit its London operations as a whole, the related charge was recorded in corporate. Corporate expenses also reflect \$30 million of charges in connection with the resolution of certain litigation and related matters which are discussed in Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements.

Corporate expenses in 2004 included \$18 million of restructuring costs, including severance and other termination benefits, future rent under non-cancelable leases and lease termination costs. The impact of the final settlement for insured losses related to the WTC reduced Corporate expenses in 2004. The replacement value of the assets exceeded their book value by \$105 million which was recorded as a reduction of other operating expenses.

Integration and Restructuring Charges

Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements discusses integration and restructuring costs. The following chart summarizes the costs incurred and the savings realized and projected for MMC's restructuring activities.

(In millions of dollars)		osts urred	Savings Realized	Incremental Savings Expected
	2004	2005	2005	2006
2004 Plan	\$337	\$ 3	\$400	_
2005 Plan	_	310	160	215

Restructuring activities under the 2005 plan, which we initiated in the first quarter of 2005 are nearing completion. In 2005, MMC incurred expenses in connection with the 2005 plan of \$310 million (approximately two-thirds of which was severance cost). Additional expenses of \$50 million are expected to be incurred primarily in the first half of 2006. Once the 2005 plan is fully implemented, MMC expects to achieve annualized cost savings of \$375 million, all of which is in the Risk and Insurance Services segment. Results in 2005 reflect approximately \$160 million of the savings

expected under the 2005 plan with the remaining \$215 million of savings expected to be realized in 2006. Savings under the 2004 plan were \$400 million, substantially all of which was realized in 2005.

Restructuring costs in 2005 also include a \$4 million increase to the estimated liability for future rent under non-cancelable leases related to the Johnson and Higgins and Sedgwick acquisitions.

Stock Option Exchanges

At the May 2005 Annual Meeting, MMC's shareholders approved a stock option exchange offer for MMC options. Under the exchange offer, eligible employees could exchange certain deeply underwater options for new options with an estimated fair value equal to 90% of the value of options surrendered in exchange, calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model. Effective July 1, 2005, employees elected to exchange 42 million options for 16 million new options. The exchange resulted in the retirement of 26 million options and no incremental compensation expense was incurred in connection with the new option grants. The exercise price of the new options of \$27.86 is equal to the market price of MMC's common stock as of the new grant date. The new options were unvested when granted and will vest on the later of the second anniversary of the new option grant or the vesting date of the tendered option. The other terms and conditions of the new options are substantially similar to those of the tendered options they replaced.

On September 29, 2005, certain eligible participants in the Putnam Investments Trust Equity Partnership Plan participated in a voluntary option exchange pursuant to the terms of the *Offer to Exchange Certain Outstanding Options* (the "Offer to Exchange"), dated August 30, 2005. Under the Offer to Exchange, holders of options on Class B shares meeting certain eligibility requirements could elect to exchange those options for restricted shares with the equivalent value of the exchanged options, as determined using the Black-Scholes valuation model. As a result of the Offer to Exchange, a total of 2,201,850 options were retired and 139,388 restricted shares were issued at a grant price of \$28.26 per share.

Interest

Interest income was \$47 million for 2005, an increase of \$26 million from 2004. The increase in interest income reflected the combination of higher average corporate cash balances and generally higher average interest rates in 2005 compared with 2004. Interest expense was \$332 million in 2005 compared to \$219 million in 2004. The increase in interest expense is due to an increase in the amount of average outstanding debt resulting from the acquisition of Kroll and a \$34 million charge in 2005 for the prepayment of the \$200 million mortgage on MMC's corporate headquarters in New York. In addition, interest expense in 2005 includes a write-off of \$7 million of unamortized deferred financing costs related to MMC's prior revolving credit agreements which were refinanced in December 2005.

Interest income earned on corporate funds was \$21 million in 2004 compared with \$24 million in 2003. Interest expense increased from \$185 million in 2003 to \$219 million in 2004. The increase in interest expense was due primarily to an increase in the amount of average outstanding debt, primarily due to the acquisition of Kroll.

Income Taxes

MMC's consolidated effective tax rate was 33.6% in 2005, a decrease from 59.4% in 2004. The decrease in the rate was primarily due to the impact in 2004 of the non-deductibility of Putnam's \$224 million in regulatory settlements and of a lower benefit related to Marsh's \$850 million settlement of the NYAG lawsuit; partially offset in 2005 by an increase in valuation allowances

provided on net operating losses in certain state and foreign jurisdictions. In 2003 the effective tax rate was 32.8%. The increase in the effective rate in 2004 compared with 2003 results primarily from the tax impact of the aforementioned settlements, and a partially offsetting benefit for foreign earnings taxed at lower rates.

The effective tax rate is sensitive to the geographic mix of MMC's earnings, which may have a favorable or unfavorable impact on the rate. Furthermore, losses in certain jurisdictions cannot be offset by earnings from other operations, and may require valuation allowances affecting the rate, depending on estimates of their realizability.

MMC establishes allowances for potential liabilities that may arise out of tax audits and litigation to the extent that such liabilities are probable and can be estimated in accordance with SFAS No. 5. Once established, allowances are evaluated based on the facts and circumstances that exist at each reporting period. Adjustments may result, for example, upon resolution of an issue with the taxing authorities, or expiration of a statute of limitations barring an assessment for an issue for which an allowance had previously been recorded. Such adjustments could have a material impact on MMC's effective tax rate, net income, and cash flows for a particular future period.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

MMC's routine liquidity needs are primarily for servicing debt and paying dividends on outstanding stock. Our primary source for meeting these requirements is cash flows from our operations.

Cash on our consolidated balance sheets includes funds available for general corporate purposes. Funds held on behalf of clients in a fiduciary capacity are segregated and shown separately in the consolidated balance sheet as an offset to fiduciary liabilities.

Operating Cash Flows

MMC generated \$399 million of cash from operations in 2005 compared with \$2.1 billion in 2004. These amounts reflect the net income earned by MMC during those periods adjusted for non-cash charges and changes in working capital which relate primarily to the timing of payments for accrued liabilities or receipts of assets. In addition to the routine timing of payments and receipts, MMC had several significant events which impacted its cash flow over the past two years, due to differences between when the items are recognized in net income and when they are paid. These include payments in 2005 of approximately \$308 million for regulatory settlements accrued in 2004, payment of restructuring costs and discretionary contributions of \$235 million to the pension plans in the U.K.

As previously discussed, in January 2005 MMC reached a settlement with the NYAG and NYSID that resolved the actions commenced by them against MMC and Marsh. As a result of this agreement, MMC recorded a charge in 2004 for an \$850 million policyholder fund. MMC paid the first \$255 million to the fund on June 1, 2005. An additional \$255 million must be paid on or before June 1, 2006, and \$170 million will be paid to the fund on or before each of June 1, 2007 and 2008, respectively. These amounts are included in Regulatory Settlements in the consolidated balance sheets.

At December 31, 2005, the balance of accounts receivable related to accrued market services revenue earned prior to October 1, 2004 was \$130 million. Following the announcement of the settlement with the NYAG and NYSID, MMC reaffirmed its intention to collect outstanding MSA revenue earned prior to October 1, 2004, and will seek to enforce its rights under the relevant contracts. In December 2005, MMC initiated arbitration proceedings against certain insurance carriers for this purpose. However, there is no assurance that MMC will be successful in collecting all amounts due. To the extent such accrued amounts are not collected, a charge to earnings would result.

MMC has funding requirements for the U.S. non-qualified and U.K. plans in 2005 of approximately \$19 million and \$94 million, respectively. MMC'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 in U.S. and applicable foreign law. There currently is no ERISA funding requirement for the U.S. qualified plan in 2005 or in 2006. Funding requirements for non-U.S. plans vary country by country.

During 2005, MMC contributed approximately \$229 million to the U.S. pension plans and \$498 million to the significant non-U.S. pension plans, compared with \$44 million for U.S. plans and \$239 million for significant non-U.S. plans in 2004. The contributions in 2005 include discretionary contributions of 8 million unregistered shares of MMC stock valued at \$205 million to the U.S. qualified plan and \$235 million of cash to the U.K. plans. These contributions resulted in an increase in prepaid pension expense for certain plans. The minimum pension liability related to any plan is recorded as part of the Pension, postretirement and post-employment liability in the consolidated balance sheets.

During 2005, the net funded status of the U.S. and significant non-U.S. pension plans increased by \$299 million and \$303 million, respectively, due primarily to the discretionary contributions mentioned previously. In addition, changes made to the U.S. pension plan, discussed below under "Management's Discussion of Critical Accounting Policies — Retirement Benefits", reduced the benefit obligation of that plan by \$138 million and a plan curtailment in the U.K. reduced the benefit obligations of non-U.S. plans by \$40 million. Benefit obligations of the U.S. and significant non-U.S. pension plans exceeded the fair value of plan assets by \$79 million and \$818 million, respectively, at December 31, 2005. Contribution rates are determined by the local foreign actuaries based on local funding practices and requirements. Funding amounts may be influenced by future asset performance, discount rates and other variables impacting the assets and/or liabilities of the plan. In addition, amounts funded in the future, to the extent not required under regulatory requirements, may be affected by alternative uses of MMC's cash flows, including dividends, investments, and share repurchases.

Under generally accepted accounting principles, if the accumulated benefit obligation of a plan exceeds the fair value of that plan's assets (an "ABO deficit"), an additional minimum liability is recorded for the amount of the ABO deficit. The additional minimum liability, plus the amount of prepaid pension cost recognized for that plan is charged to other comprehensive income (equity), net of applicable taxes. At December 31, 2005, MMC has prepaid pension costs of approximately \$1.6 billion, which relate primarily to the U.S. qualified plan and two U.K. plans, as well as some smaller plans in various countries.

Financing Cash Flows

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$128 million in 2005 compared with \$1.2 billion in 2004.

In December 2005, MMC and certain of its foreign subsidiaries entered into a new \$1.2 billion multicurrency revolving credit facility. Subsidiary borrowings under the facility are unconditionally guaranteed by MMC. The facility, which will expire in December 2010, replaces MMC's \$1.0 billion and \$700 million revolving credit facilities which were scheduled to expire in 2007 and 2009, respectively. Certain of MMC's foreign subsidiaries borrowed approximately \$510 million under the new facility, primarily to fund the repatriation of accumulated earnings pursuant to the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004.

In September 2005, MMC returned to the public capital markets, issuing \$550 million of 5.15% Senior Notes due 2010 and \$750 million of 5.75% Senior Notes due 2015 (the "2005 Notes"). The net proceeds from the 2005 Notes were used to pay down the \$1.3 billion term loan facility, discussed below.

Also in September 2005, MMC refinanced its headquarters building in New York City by entering into a 30-year, \$475 million mortgage loan agreement at a fixed annual rate of 5.7%. This replaced the existing \$200 million, 9.8% mortgage due in 2009. The incremental proceeds, net of a \$34 million prepayment charge, were used to pay down outstanding short-term debt.

In December 2004, MMC completed financing with respect to a \$1.3 billion term loan facility and the amendment of its existing \$1 billion revolving credit facility which was scheduled to expire in June 2007 and \$700 million revolving credit facility which was scheduled to expire in June 2009. The term loan facility, which was repaid with proceeds from the issuance of the 2005 Notes, was scheduled to mature on December 31, 2006 and replaced revolving credit facilities of \$700 million and \$355 million, which were scheduled to expire in 2005.

MMC's senior debt is currently rated Baa2 by Moody's and BBB by Standard & Poor's. MMC's short-term debt is currently rated P-2 by Moody's and A-2 by Standard & Poor's. MMC carries a negative outlook from both Moody's and Standard & Poor's.

In July 2004, MMC issued \$650 million of 5.375% Senior Notes due 2014 and \$500 million of Floating Rate Notes due 2007. The proceeds from these notes were used to repay the commercial paper borrowings that were used to purchase Kroll.

MMC paid total dividends of \$363 million in 2005 (\$0.68 per share) and \$681 million (\$1.30 per share) in 2004. MMC made no share repurchases in 2005. In 2004, MMC repurchased 11.4 million shares for \$524 million, substantially all of which was purchased in the first and second quarters.

MMC also maintains other credit facilities, guarantees and letters of credit with various banks, primarily related to operations located outside the United States, aggregating \$354 million at December 31, 2005 and \$331 million at December 31, 2004. There was \$83 million outstanding under these facilities at December 31, 2005.

Investing Cash Flows

Cash provided by investing activities amounted to \$153 million in 2005 compared with cash used for investing activities of \$2.6 billion in 2004. Cash used for acquisitions decreased to \$74 million from \$2.4 billion in 2004. Acquisitions in 2004 included Kroll, Inc., Synhrgy HR Technologies, Corporate Systems, and the Australia and New Zealand operations of Heath Lambert. Remaining deferred cash payments of approximately \$48 million related to acquisitions completed in 2005 and prior years are recorded in Accounts payable and accrued liabilities or in Other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2005. In addition, cash generated by the sale of securities totaled \$333 million in 2005 versus \$199 million for 2004.

MMC's additions to fixed assets and capitalized software, which amounted to \$345 million in 2005 and \$376 million in 2004, primarily relate to computer equipment purchases, the refurbishing and modernizing of office facilities and software development costs.

MMC has committed to potential future investments of approximately \$295 million in connection with various private equity funds and other MMC investments. Commitments of \$112 million relate to Trident III, a private equity fund managed by Stone Point. MMC's funding commitment to Trident III decreased by approximately \$98 million upon the sale of the business of MMC Capital to the management team of Stone Point on May 31, 2005. MMC's remaining commitments relate to other funds managed by Stone Point (approximately \$82 million) and by Putnam through THL and THLPC (approximately \$101 million). Trident III closed in December 2003, and has an investment period of six years. MMC does not control or know the timing of capital calls that Stone Point will make on Trident III's investors. Typically, the investment period for funds of this type has been about four

years, which would indicate an expected capital call of approximately \$35–\$50 million per year. Actual capital calls may occur more quickly. The majority of MMC's other investment commitments for funds managed by Stone Point are related to Trident II, the investment period for which is now closed for new investments. Any remaining capital calls for Trident II would relate to follow-on investments in existing portfolio companies or for management fees or other partnership expenses. Significant future capital calls related to Trident II are not expected. Although it is anticipated that Trident II will be harvesting its remaining portfolio in 2006 and thereafter, the timing of any portfolio company sales and capital distributions is unknown and not controlled by MMC.

Putnam has investment commitments of \$101 million for three active THL funds, of which Putnam believes approximately \$50 million will not be called. Putnam is authorized to commit to invest up to \$187 million in future THL investment funds, but is not required to do so. At December 31, 2005 none of that additional \$187 million is committed.

Approximately \$77 million was invested in 2005 related to all of the commitments discussed above.

Commitments and Obligations

MMC's contractual obligations were comprised of the following as of December 31, 2005 (dollars in millions):

	Payment due by Period					
Contractual Obligations	Total	Within 1 Year	1–3 Years	4–5 Years	After 5 Years	
Bank Borrowings-International	\$ 597	\$ 429	\$ 168	\$ —	\$ —	
Current portion of long-term debt	69	69	_	_	_	
Long-term debt	4,874	_	1,271	965	2,638	
NYAG/NYSID settlement	595	255	340	_	_	
Net operating leases	3,349	466	763	542	1,578	
Service agreements	181	65	70	44	2	
Other long-term obligations	66	38	28	_		
Total	\$9,731	\$1,322	\$2,640	\$1,551	\$4,218	

Market Risk

Certain of MMC's revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities are exposed to the impact of interest rate changes and fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and equity markets.

Interest Rate Risk

MMC manages its net exposure to interest rate changes by utilizing a mixture of variable and fixed rate borrowings to finance MMC's asset base. MMC uses interest rate swaps on a limited basis to manage exposure to interest rate movements on its cash and investments as well as interest expense on borrowings. Rate swaps are only executed with highly creditworthy counterparties.

MMC had the following investments and debt instruments subject to variable interest rates:

(In millions of dollars)	December 31, 2005
Cash and cash equivalents invested in certificates of deposit	
and time deposits (Note 1)	\$2,020
Fiduciary cash and investments (Note 1)	\$3,795
Variable rate debt outstanding (Note 11)	\$1,076

These investments and debt instruments are discussed more fully in the above-indicated notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Based on the above balances, if short-term interest rates increase by 10% or 40 basis points over the course of the year, annual interest income, including interest earned on fiduciary funds, would increase by approximately \$14 million. However, this would be partially offset by a \$3 million increase in interest expense resulting in a net increase to income before income taxes and minority interest of \$11 million.

Foreign Currency Risk

The translated values of revenue and expense from MMC's international risk and insurance services and consulting operations are subject to fluctuations due to changes in currency exchange rates. We periodically use forward contracts and options to limit foreign currency exchange rate exposure on net income and cash flows for specific, clearly defined transactions arising in the ordinary course of business.

Equity Price Risk

MMC holds investments in public and private companies, as well as in certain private equity funds managed by Stone Point, including Trident II and Trident III. Publicly traded investments of \$143 million are classified as available for sale under SFAS No. 115. Non-publicly traded investments of \$54 million and \$365 million are accounted for under APB Opinion No. 18, "The Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock", using the cost method and the equity method, respectively. Changes in value of trading securities are recognized in income when they occur. The investments that are classified as available for sale or that are not publicly traded are subject to risk of changes in market value, which if determined to be other than temporary, could result in realized impairment losses. MMC periodically reviews the carrying value of such investments to determine if any valuation adjustments are appropriate under the applicable accounting pronouncements.

Other

A significant number of lawsuits and regulatory proceedings are pending. See Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements.

Management's Discussion of Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Management considers the policies discussed below to be critical to understanding MMC's financial statements because their application places the most significant demands on management's judgment, and requires management to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Legal and Other Loss Contingencies

MMC and its subsidiaries are subject to numerous claims, lawsuits and proceedings. GAAP requires that liabilities for contingencies be recorded when it is probable that a liability has been incurred before the balance sheet date and the amount can be reasonably estimated. Significant management judgment is required to comply with this guidance. MMC analyzes its litigation exposure based on available information, including consultation with outside counsel handling the defense of these matters, to assess its potential liability.

In addition, to the extent that insurance coverage is available, significant management judgment is required to determine the amount of recoveries that are expected under MMC's various insurance programs.

Retirement Benefits

MMC maintains qualified and non-qualified defined benefit pension plans for its U.S. and a variety of defined benefit and defined contribution plans for eligible non-U.S. employees. MMC'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 in U.S. and applicable foreign laws.

The determination of net periodic pension cost is based on a number of actuarial assumptions, including an expected long-term rate of return on plan assets, the discount rate and assumed rate of salary increase. Significant assumptions used in the calculation of net periodic pension costs and pension liabilities are disclosed in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements. MMC believes the assumptions for each plan are reasonable and appropriate and will continue to evaluate actuarial assumptions at least annually and adjust them as appropriate. Pension expense in 2005 increased by \$130 million compared with 2004. Based on its current assumptions, MMC expects pension expense to decrease by approximately \$12 million in 2006 and currently expects to contribute approximately \$145 million to the plans during the year.

During 2005 MMC made changes to the U.S. pension plan that were designed to reduce MMC's benefits costs going forward. The changes, which are effective January 1, 2006, include changing the benefit formula from a final average salary to a career average salary as well as a change in the calculation for early retirement benefits. These changes do not affect pension benefits earned as of December 31, 2005.

Future pension expense or credits will depend on plan provisions, future investment performance, future assumptions, and various other factors related to the populations participating in the pension plans. Holding all other assumptions constant, a half-percentage point change in the rate of return and discount rate assumptions would affect net periodic pension cost for the U.S. and U.K. plans, which comprise approximately 90% of total pension plan liabilities, as follows:

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(In millions of dollars)	U.S.	U.S. U.K.		U.K.		
Assumed Rate of Return	\$(13.2)	\$(21.1)	\$13.2	\$21.1		
Discount Rate	\$(29.1)	\$(54.3)	\$31.2	\$57.3		

Changing the discount rate and leaving the other assumptions constant may not be representative of the impact on expense, because the long-term rates of inflation and salary increases are correlated with the discount rate.

MMC contributes to certain health care and life insurance benefits provided to its retired employees. The cost of these postretirement benefits for employees in the United States is accrued during the period up to the date employees are eligible to retire, but is funded by MMC as incurred. This postretirement liability is included in Other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. The key assumptions and sensitivity to changes in the assumed health care cost trend rate are discussed in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

Income Taxes

MMC's tax rate reflects its income, statutory tax rates and tax planning in the various jurisdictions in which it operates. Significant judgment is required in determining the annual tax rate and in evaluating tax positions. Tax allowances are established when, despite the belief that the tax return positions are fully supportable, there is the potential that they may be successfully challenged. These allowances, as well as the related interest, are adjusted to reflect changing facts and circumstances.

Tax law requires items be included in MMC's tax returns at different times than the items are reflected in the financial statements. As a result, the annual tax expense reflected in the consolidated statements of income is different than that reported in the tax returns. Some of these differences are permanent, such as expenses that are not deductible in the returns, and some differences are temporary and reverse over time, such as depreciation expense. Temporary differences create deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets generally represent items that can be used as a tax deduction or credit in tax returns in future years for which benefit has already been recorded in the financial statements. Valuation allowances are established for deferred tax assets when it is estimated that future taxable income will be insufficient to use a deduction or credit in that jurisdiction. Deferred tax liabilities generally represent tax expense recognized in the financial statements for which payment has been deferred, or expense for which a deduction has been taken already in the tax return but the expense has not yet been recognized in the financial statements.

Share-based Payment

Effective July 1, 2005, MMC adopted SFAS 123(R) "Share-based Payment", which requires, among other things, that the estimated fair value of stock options be charged to earnings. Significant management judgment is required to determine the appropriate assumptions for inputs such as volatility and expected term necessary to estimate option values. In addition, management judgment is required to analyze the terms of the plans and awards granted thereunder to determine if awards will be treated as equity awards or liability awards, as defined by SFAS 123(R).

SFAS 123(R) requires that cost resulting from all share-based transactions be recognized in the financial statements. Although the required effective date of adoption for SFAS 123(R) is the first annual reporting period that begins after June 15, 2005, MMC elected to adopt early. MMC adopted SFAS 123(R) using a modified prospective method of adoption, as permitted. Accordingly, prior period amounts have not been restated. Under this method, MMC is required to record compensation expense for all awards granted after the date of adoption and for the unvested portion of previously granted awards that remain outstanding at the date of adoption. The compensation cost recognized for awards granted prior to July 1, 2005 is based on the estimated grant date fair value and expense attribution methodology originally determined under SFAS 123.

Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123(R), MMC applied Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" ("APB 25"), to account for its stock-based awards. Under APB 25, MMC generally only recorded stock-based compensation expense related to restricted stock, restricted stock units, and deferred stock units. Under the provisions of APB 25, MMC was not required to recognize compensation expense for the cost of stock options or shares issued under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"). With the adoption of SFAS 123(R), MMC will record stock-based compensation expense for the cost of stock options and, as described below, shares issued under the ESPP pertaining to the third quarter 2005. In 2005 MMC incurred incremental compensation costs of \$64 million, primarily related to stock options as a result of the early adoption of SFAS 123(R) effective July 1, 2005. This incremental cost was recorded as part of corporate expenses.

As of December 31, 2005, there was \$152 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to MMC's option awards and \$19 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to Putnam's option awards. The weighted-average periods over which the costs are expected to be recognized are 1.5 years for MMC and 3.5 years for Putnam. Also as of December 31, 2005, there was \$219 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to MMC's restricted stock, restricted stock unit and deferred stock unit awards and \$110 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to Putnam's restricted stock awards.

Effective October 1, 2005, certain features in the MMC ESPP were changed so that shares of MMC common stock will be purchased at a price that is 95% of the average market price of the stock on each quarterly purchase date. In accordance with SFAS 123 (R), the ESPP is no longer compensatory beginning October 1, 2005.

See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the adoption of SFAS 123(R).

Investment Valuation

MMC holds investments in both public and private companies, as well as certain private equity funds managed by Stone Point and T.H. Lee. The majority of the public investments are accounted for as available for sale securities under SFAS No. 115. Where applicable, certain investments are accounted for under APB Opinion No. 18. MMC periodically reviews the carrying value of its investments to determine if any valuation adjustments are appropriate under the applicable accounting pronouncements. MMC bases its review on the facts and circumstances as they relate to each investment. Fair value of private equity investments is determined by the Funds' investment managers. Factors considered in determining the fair value of private equity investments include: implied valuation of recently completed financing rounds that included sophisticated outside investors; performance multiples of comparable public companies; restrictions on the sale or disposal of the investments; trading characteristics of the securities; and the relative size of the holdings in comparison to other private investors and the public market float. In those instances where quoted market prices are not available, particularly for equity holdings in private companies, or formal restrictions limit the sale of securities, significant management judgment is required to determine the appropriate value of MMC's investments. MMC reviews the appropriateness of valuation results for significant private equity investments with the fund manager.

New Accounting Pronouncements

New accounting pronouncements are discussed in Note 1 to MMC's consolidated financial statements.

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Income

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions, except per share figures)	2005	2004	2003
Revenue:			
Service revenue	\$11,469	\$11,561	\$11,100
Investment income (loss)	183	200	100
Operating revenue	11,652	11,761	11,200
Expense:			
Compensation and benefits	6,945	6,706	5,710
Other operating expenses	3,811	3,486	3,032
Settlement and other costs	40	969	10
Operating expenses	10,796	11,161	8,752
Operating income	856	600	2,448
Interest income	47	21	24
Interest expense	(332)	(219)	(185)
Income before income taxes and minority interest	571	402	2,287
Income taxes	192	240	751
Minority interest, net of tax	10	8	20
Income from continuing operations	369	154	1,516
Discontinued operations, net of tax	35	22	24
Net income	\$ 404	\$ 176	\$ 1,540
Basic net income per share — Continuing operations	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.29	\$ 2.85
— Net income	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.33	\$ 2.89
Diluted net income per share — Continuing operations	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.29	\$ 2.77
— Net income	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.33	\$ 2.81
Average number of shares outstanding — Basic	538	526	533
— Diluted	543	535	548
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,020	\$ 1,370
Receivables		
Commissions and fees	2,407	2,475
Advanced premiums and claims	117	102
Other	363	424
	2,887	3,001
Less — allowance for doubtful accounts and cancellations	(157)	(142)
Net receivables	2,730	2,859
Assets of discontinued operations	153	173
Other current assets	359	597
Total current assets	5,262	4,999
Goodwill and intangible assets	7,773	8,055
Fixed assets, net	1,178	1,363
Long-term investments	277	558
Prepaid pension	1,596	1,394
Other assets	1,806	2,129
	\$17,892	\$18,498
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	•	· ,
Current liabilities:		
Short-term debt	\$ 498	\$ 636
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,733	1,818
Regulatory settlements — current portion	333	394
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	1,413	1,568
Accrued income taxes	192	281
Dividends payable	93	_
Liabilities of discontinued operations	89	46
Total current liabilities	4,351	4,743
Fiduciary liabilities	3,795	4,111
Less — cash and investments held in a fiduciary capacity	(3,795)	(4,111)
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Long-term debt	5,044	4,691
Regulatory settlements	348	595
Pension, postretirement and postemployment benefits	1,180	1,326
Other liabilities	1,609	2,087
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' 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 in 2005 and 2004	561	561
Additional paid-in capital	1,143	1,316
Retained earnings	4,989	5,044
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(756)	(370)
	5,937	6,551
Less — treasury shares at cost, 15,057,704 shares in 2005 and	•	•
33,831,782 shares in 2004	(577)	(1,495)
		5,056
Total stockholders' equity	5,360	ວ.ບວດ

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Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Operating cash flows:			
Net income	\$ 404	\$ 176	\$ 1,540
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash generated from			
operations:			
Depreciation of fixed assets and capitalized software	391	392	349
Amortization of intangible assets	99	64	42
Provision (benefit) for deferred income taxes	36	(71)	90
(Gains) losses on investments	(183)	(200)	(100)
Disposition or write-offs of assets	(19)	_	_
Accrual of stock-based compensation, resulting from adoption			
of SFAS 123(R)	64	_	_
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Net receivables	57	(107)	(199)
Other current assets	122	60	(34)
Other assets	(229)	93	(289)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(35)	858	23
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	(167)	328	125
Accrued income taxes	4	(39)	85
Other liabilities	(72)	446	135
Effect of exchange rate changes	(73)	69	100
Net cash generated from operations	399	2,069	1,867
Financing cash flows:			
Net decrease in commercial paper	(129)	(311)	(817)
Proceeds from issuance of debt	2,341	4,265	800
Other repayments of debt	(1,990)	(2,003)	(55)
Purchase of treasury shares	(1,000)	(536)	(1,195)
Issuance of common stock	269	456	573
Dividends paid	(363)	(681)	(631)
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities	128	1,190	(1,325)
		1,100	(1,020)
Investing cash flows:	(0.45)	(070)	(400)
Capital expenditures	(345)	(376)	(436)
Net sales of long-term investments	318	120	75
Proceeds from sales related to fixed assets and capitalized software	46	23	8
Dispositions	156	(0.004)	(470)
Acquisitions	(74)	(2,364)	(178)
Other, net	52	(2.550)	61
Net cash provided by (used for) investing activities	153	(2,556)	(470)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(43)	28	47
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	637	731	119
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,396	665	546
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	2,033	1,396	665
Cash and cash equivalents — reported as discontinued operations	(13)	(26)	(14)
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars, except per share figures)	2005	2004	2003
COMMON STOCK			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 561	\$ 561	\$ 561
Issuance of shares under stock compensation plans and			
employee stock purchase plans		_	
Balance, end of year	\$ 561	\$ 561	\$ 561
ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,316	\$ 1,301	\$ 1,426
Acquisitions	(15)	1	2
SFAS 123R implementation adjustment	135	_	_
SFAS 123R periodic compensation costs	67	_	_
Issuance of shares to MMC retirement plan	(160)	_	_
Issuance of shares under stock compensation plans and	(000)	4.4	(407)
employee stock purchase plans and related tax benefits	(200)	14	(127)
Balance, end of year	\$ 1,143	\$ 1,316	\$ 1,301
RETAINED EARNINGS			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 5,044	\$ 5,386	\$ 4,490
Net income (a)	404	176	1,540
Dividend equivalents paid	(2)	_	_
Dividends declared — (per share amounts: \$.85 in 2005, \$.99 in 2004 and \$1.21 in 2003)	(457)	(518)	(644)
Balance, end of year	\$ 4,989	\$ 5,044	\$ 5,386
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS			
Balance, beginning of year	\$ (370)	\$ (279)	\$ (452)
Foreign currency translation adjustments (b)	(271)	234	302
Unrealized investment holding (losses) gains,	,		
net of reclassification adjustments (c)	(85)	(58)	76
Minimum pension liability adjustment (d)	(30)	(266)	(201)
Net deferred loss on cash flow hedges (e)		(1)	(4)
Balance, end of year	\$ (756)	\$ (370)	\$ (279)
TREASURY SHARES			
Balance, beginning of year	\$(1,495)	\$(1,518)	\$(1,007)
Purchase of treasury shares	_	(524)	(1,209)
Acquisitions	82	7	16
Issuance of shares to MMC retirement plan	365	_	_
Issuance of shares under stock compensation plans and	4-4	F.40	000
employee stock purchase plans	471	540	682
Balance, end of year	\$ (577)	\$(1,495)	\$(1,518)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 5,360	\$ 5,056	\$ 5,451
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (a+b+c+d+e)	\$ 18	\$ 85	\$ 1,713

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

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Operations: Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. ("MMC"), a global professional services firm, is organized based on the different services that it offers. Under this organizational structure, MMC operates in four principal business segments: risk and insurance services, risk consulting and technology, consulting and investment management. Marsh's U.S. and U.K. employee benefits business has been combined with Mercer's health and benefits business and is now managed by Mercer. The segment data and related disclosures throughout the Notes to MMC's consolidated financial statements have been amended to reflect these organizational changes.

As discussed in Note 5, MMC sold its U.S.-based wholesale insurance broker, Crump Group, Inc., during the fourth quarter of 2005 and its interest in Sedgwick CMS Holdings, a provider of claims management and associated productivity services, on January 31, 2006. In connection with these dispositions, the account balances and activities of these entities were segregated and reported as discontinued operations in the accompanying consolidated financial statements of MMC at December 31, 2005 and 2004 and for each of the three years ended December 31, 2003 through 2005.

The risk and insurance services segment provides risk management and insurance broking, reinsurance broking and insurance program management services for businesses, public entities, insurance companies, associations, professional services organizations, and private clients. Prior to the sale of MMC Capital's business to Stone Point Capital, LLC ("Stone Point") on May 31, 2005, the risk and insurance services segment also provided services principally in connection with originating, structuring and managing investments, primarily in the insurance and financial services industries. MMC no longer participates in the investment decisions or management of Stone Point or the Trident funds. However, MMC continues to own investments in the funds managed by Stone Point and directly owns investments in certain insurance and financial services entities through its subsidiary Marsh and McLennan Risk Capital Holdings ("Risk Capital Holdings").

The risk consulting and technology segment provides various risk consulting and related risk mitigation services to corporate, government, institutional and individual clients. These risk consulting services fall into four main business groups: corporate advisory and restructuring services; consulting services; security; and technology services.

The consulting segment provides advice and services to the managements of organizations in the areas of Human Resource Consulting, comprising retirement and investment consulting, HR services and investments, health and benefits and human capital; and Specialty Consulting, comprising management consulting, organization change, and economic consulting.

The investment management segment primarily provides securities investment advisory, distribution, and administrative services for institutional accounts and a group of publicly held investment companies.

Principles of Consolidation: The accompanying consolidated financial statements include all wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities: In its capacity as an insurance broker or agent, MMC collects premiums from insureds and, after deducting its commissions, remits the premiums to the respective insurance underwriters. MMC also collects claims or refunds from underwriters on behalf of insureds.

Unremitted insurance premiums and claims are held in a fiduciary capacity. Interest income on these fiduciary funds, included in service revenue, amounted to \$151 million in 2005, \$130 million in 2004, and \$114 million in 2003. Since fiduciary assets are not available for corporate use, they are shown in the balance sheet as an offset to fiduciary liabilities. At December 31, 2005, Putnam managed the investment of approximately \$1.3 billion of the fiduciary assets.

Net uncollected premiums and claims and the related payables were \$10.4 billion and \$11.1 billion at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. MMC 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 MMC and are not included in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

In certain instances, MMC 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.

Revenue: Risk and Insurance Services revenue includes insurance commissions, fees for services rendered, interest income on certain fiduciary funds and market service fees from insurers earned on placements made prior to October 2004. Effective October 1, 2004 Marsh agreed to eliminate contingent compensation agreements with insurers. Insurance commissions and fees for risk transfer services generally are recorded as of the effective date of the applicable policies or, in certain cases (primarily in MMC's reinsurance and London market operations), as of the effective date or billing date, whichever is later. Commissions are net of policy cancellation reserves, which are estimated based on historic and current data on cancellations. Fees for non-risk transfer services provided to clients are recognized over the period in which the services are provided, using a proportional performance model. Fees resulting from achievement of certain performance thresholds are recorded when such levels are attained and such fees are not subject to forfeiture. Revenue also includes compensation for services provided in connection with the organization, structuring and management of insurance, financial and other industry-focused investments, as well as appreciation or depreciation that has been recognized on holdings in such investments. Although MMC no longer receives management fees or origination fees related to Stone Point's business, it will continue to receive dividends and to recognize capital appreciation or depreciation on these investment holdings. In addition, Crump Group, Inc. and Sedgwick CMS Holdings were part of this segment.

Risk Consulting and Technology compensation consists of fees paid by clients. Such fees are typically charged on an hourly, project, or fixed fee basis, and sometimes on a per service or per unit basis. Revenue is recognized as the services are performed pursuant to the applicable contractual arrangements. Revenue related to time and materials arrangements is recognized in the period in which the services are performed. Revenue from hourly or daily rate engagements is recognized as hours are expended at the agreed-upon billing amounts. Revenue related to fixed price arrangements is recognized based upon a proportional performance model. Revenue provided from credit services is recognized when the information is delivered to the customer, either electronically or by other means. The impact of any revisions in estimated total revenue and direct contract costs is recognized in the period in which they become known. Expenses incurred by professional staff in the generation of revenue are billed to the client and included in revenue. Kroll records either billed or unbilled accounts receivable based on case-by-case invoicing determinations. Software revenue is recognized when shipped, with the exception of royalty-based products, for which revenue is recognized as applicable royalty reports are received. Software revenue is stated net of estimated customer returns and allowances. Contingent fees are recognized as earned and upon satisfaction of all conditions to their payment.

Consulting revenue includes fees paid by clients for advice and services and commissions from insurance companies for the placement of individual and group contracts. Fee revenue for engagements where Mercer is remunerated based on time plus out-of-pocket expenses is recognized based on the amount of time consulting professionals expend on the engagement. For fixed fee engagements, revenue is recognized using a proportional performance model. Insurance commissions are recorded as of the effective date of the applicable policies.

Investment Management revenue is derived primarily from investment management fees and 12b-1 fees. Investment management fees are recognized as services are provided. Such fees are based on the net assets of the funds and are collected directly from the applicable funds. Mutual fund distribution fees are recognized over the period in which the fees can be charged to the related funds, or when a contingent deferred sales charge is triggered by a redemption. Sales of mutual fund shares are recorded on a settlement date basis and commissions thereon are recorded on a trade date basis. Fees resulting from achievement of specified performance thresholds are recorded when such levels are attained and such fees are not subject to forfeiture.

MMC has deferred the recognition of performance fee revenue in connection with the management of certain private equity funds of \$113 million at December 31, 2005. This revenue is based on the investment performance over the life of each private equity fund, and future underperformance may result in the forfeiture of such revenue. As noted above, MMC only recognizes performance fee revenue when such fees are no longer subject to forfeiture, which for the \$113 million noted above, may take a number of years to resolve.

Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash and cash equivalents primarily consist of certificates of deposit and time deposits, generally with original maturities of three months or less.

Fixed Assets: Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Expenditures for improvements are capitalized. Upon sale or retirement, the cost and related accumulated depreciation and amortization are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is reflected in income. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred.

Depreciation of buildings, building improvements, furniture, and equipment is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of these assets. Leasehold improvements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the periods covered by the applicable leases or the estimated useful life of the improvement, whichever is less. MMC periodically reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes indicate that the carrying value of assets may not be recoverable.

The components of fixed assets are as follows:

December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004
Furniture and equipment	\$ 1,557	\$ 1,612
Land and buildings	457	457
Leasehold and building improvements	888	897
	2,902	2,966
Less — accumulated depreciation and amortization	(1,724)	(1,603)
	\$ 1,178	\$ 1,363

Investment Securities: MMC holds investments in both public and private companies, as well as certain private equity funds (managed by Stone Point and T.H. Lee) and seed shares for mutual funds. Publicly traded investments are classified as available for sale or trading securities in accordance with SFAS No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities" ("SFAS 115"), and carried at market value. Non-publicly traded investments are carried at cost in

accordance with APB Opinion No. 18 ("APB 18"). Changes in the fair value of trading securities are recorded in earnings when they occur. Changes in the fair value of available for sale securities are recorded in stockholders' equity, net of applicable taxes, until realized. Securities classified as trading or available for sale under SFAS 115, or carried at cost under APB 18, are included in Long-term investments in the consolidated balance sheets.

Certain investments, primarily investments in private equity funds, are accounted for using the equity method under APB 18. The underlying private equity funds follow investment company accounting, where securities within the fund are carried at fair value. MMC records its proportionate share of the change in fair value of the funds in earnings. Securities recorded using the equity method are included in Other assets in the consolidated balance sheets.

Gains or losses recognized in earnings from the investment securities described above are included in Investment income (loss) in the consolidated statements of income. Costs related to management of MMC's investments, including incentive compensation partially derived from investment income and loss, are recorded in operating expenses.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets: Goodwill represents acquisition costs in excess of the fair value of net assets acquired. Goodwill is reviewed at least annually for impairment. MMC performs an annual impairment test for each of its reporting units during the third quarter of each year. Fair values of the reporting units are estimated using a market approach or a discounted cash flow model. Carrying values for the reporting units are based on balances from the prior quarter end and include directly identified assets and liabilities as well as an allocation of those assets and liabilities not recorded at the reporting unit level. 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.

Capitalized Software Costs: MMC capitalizes certain costs to develop, purchase, or modify software for the internal use of MMC. These costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over periods ranging from three to ten years. Costs incurred during the preliminary project stage and post implementation stage are expensed as incurred. Costs incurred during the application development stage are capitalized. Costs related to updates and enhancements are only capitalized if they will result in additional functionality. Computer software costs of \$284 million and \$281 million, net of accumulated amortization of \$524 million and \$413 million at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, are included in Other assets in the consolidated balance sheets.

Legal and Other Loss Contingencies: MMC and its subsidiaries are subject to a significant number of claims, lawsuits and proceedings. MMC records liabilities for contingencies including legal costs when it is probable that a liability has been incurred before the balance sheet date and the amount can be reasonably estimated. To the extent such losses can be recovered under MMC's insurance programs, estimated recoveries are recorded when losses for insured events are recognized. Significant management judgment is required to estimate the amounts of such contingent liabilities and the related insurance recoveries. MMC analyzes its litigation exposure based on available information, including consultation with outside counsel handling the defense of these matters, to assess its potential liability. Contingent liabilities are not discounted.

Income Taxes: MMC's tax rate reflects its income, statutory tax rates and tax planning in the various jurisdictions in which it operates. Significant judgment is required in determining the annual tax rate and in evaluating tax positions. Tax allowances are established for uncertain tax positions when, despite the belief that the tax return positions are consistent with applicable law, there is the potential that they may be successfully challenged. The allowances are established for all identified liabilities, and related interest, that are probable and can be estimated in accordance with SFAS

No. 5. The possibility that a taxing authority may not assert an issue is not taken into account. It is assumed that the taxing authority will become fully aware of all facts relating to an issue and propose adjustments as appropriate. Allowances are evaluated based upon the facts and circumstances that exist at each reporting period. Allowances for issues that have been asserted by tax authorities and resolved by agreement are adjusted in the quarter when agreement is reached. If the statute of limitations operates to bar assessment of an issue that has not been asserted by a taxing authority, the related allowance is reversed at that time.

Tax law requires items to be included in MMC's tax returns at different times than the items are reflected in the consolidated statements of income. As a result, the annual tax expense reflected in the consolidated statements of income is different than that reported in the tax returns. Some of these differences are permanent, such as expenses that are not deductible in the returns, and some differences are temporary and reverse over time, such as depreciation expense. Temporary differences create deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets generally represent items that can be used as a tax deduction or credit in tax returns in future years for which benefit has already been recorded in the financial statements. Valuation allowances are established for deferred tax assets when it is estimated that it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. Deferred tax liabilities generally represent tax expense recognized in the financial statements for which payment has been deferred, or expense for which a deduction has been taken already in the tax return but the expense has not yet been recognized in the financial statements.

U.S. Federal income taxes are provided on unremitted foreign earnings except those that are considered permanently reinvested, which at December 31, 2005 amounted to approximately \$1.4 billion. However, if these earnings were not considered permanently reinvested, the incremental tax liability which otherwise might be due upon distribution, net of foreign tax credits, would be approximately \$40 million.

Derivative Instruments: All derivatives, whether designated in hedging relationships or not, are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. If the derivative is designated as a fair value hedge, the changes in the fair value of the derivative and of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk are recognized in earnings. If the derivative is designated as a cash flow hedge, the effective portions of changes in the fair value of the derivative are recorded in other comprehensive income and are recognized in the income statement when the hedged item affects earnings. Ineffective portions of changes in the fair value of cash flow hedges are recognized in earnings.

Variable Interest Entities: MMC through Putnam, manages \$3.4 billion in the form of Collateralized Debt Obligations ("CDO") and Collateralized Bond Obligations ("CBO"). Separate limited liability companies were established to issue the notes and to hold the underlying collateral, which consists of high-yield bonds and other securities. Putnam serves as the collateral manager for the CDOs and CBOs. The maximum loss exposure related to the CDOs and CBOs is limited to Putnam's investment totaling \$7.3 million, reflected in Long-term investments in the consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2005. MMC has concluded it is not the primary beneficiary of these structures under FIN 46 "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities."

Concentrations of Credit Risk: Financial instruments which potentially subject MMC to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, commissions and fees receivable and insurance recoverables. MMC maintains a policy providing for the diversification of cash and cash equivalent investments and places its investments in an extensive number of high quality financial institutions to limit the amount of credit risk exposure. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to receivables are generally limited due to the large number of clients and markets in which MMC does business, as well as the dispersion across many geographic areas.

Per Share Data: Basic net income per share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of MMC's common stock outstanding, excluding unvested restricted stock. Diluted net income per share is calculated by reducing net income for the potential minority interest expense associated with unvested shares under the Putnam Equity Partnership Plan, discussed further in Note 9, and adding back dividend equivalent expense related to common stock equivalents, to the extent recognized in earnings. This result is then divided by the weighted average common shares outstanding, which have been adjusted for the dilutive effect of potentially issuable common shares. The following reconciles income from continuing operations to income from continuing operations for diluted earnings per share and basic weighted average common shares outstanding to diluted weighted average common shares outstanding:

For the	e Years Ended December 31,	2005	2004	2003
-	ne from continuing operations	\$ 369	\$ 154	\$1,516
Less:		Ψ 000	Ψ 101	ψ1,010
Add:	Common Shares Dividend equivalent expense related to	(5)	_	(1)
	common stock equivalents	1	2	2
Incom	ne from continuing operations for diluted			
	ngs per share	\$ 365	\$ 156	\$1,517
Basic	weighted average common			
share	s outstanding	538	526	533
Dilutiv	e effect of potentially issuable			
comm	on shares	5	9	15
Dilute	d weighted average common			
	s outstanding	543	535	548
Avera	ge stock price used to calculate			
comm	on stock equivalents	\$29.65	\$42.12	\$46.99

Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may vary from those estimates.

New Accounting Pronouncements: On February 3, 2006, the FASB released FASB Staff Position No. FSP 123(R)-4, "Classification of Options and Similar Instruments Issued as Employee Compensation that Allow for Cash Settlement upon the Occurrence of a Contingent Event" ("FSP 123(R)-4"). The guidance in FSP 123(R)-4 changes the classification of certain options issued by a subsidiary of MMC from liability awards to equity awards unless a contingent settlement feature in the award becomes probable of occurring. Transition provisions of FSP 123(R)-4 require retrospective application of the guidance to prior periods where SFAS 123(R) had been adopted prior to the issuance of FSP 123(R)-4. As a result, a charge of \$6 million taken by MMC in the third quarter of 2005 when SFAS 123(R) was initially adopted was reversed by reflecting such adjustment in the third quarter 2005 amounts in MMC's Selected Quarterly Financial Data and Supplemental Information in MMC's 2005 annual report.

In June 2005, the FASB ratified its consensus EITF Issue 04-05, "Determining Whether a General Partner, or the General Partners as a Group, Controls a Limited Partnership or Similar Entity When

the Limited Partners Have Certain Rights" (Issue 04-05). The effective date for Issue 04-05 is June 29, 2005 for all new or modified partnerships and January 1, 2006 for all remaining partnerships for the applicable provisions. MMC is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of the provisions of EITF 04-05 on its financial position and results of operations; however, the adoption of EITF 04-05 is not expected to have a material impact on MMC's financial statements.

Reclassifications: Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year amounts to conform with current year presentation, in particular with regard to segment reclassification resulting from changes in MMC's organizational structure, discontinued operations classification for Crump and SCMS, the income statement classification of severance related restructuring charges, and the balance sheet classification of certain MMC deferred compensation balances.

2. Supplemental Disclosures

The following schedule provides additional information concerning acquisitions, interest and income taxes paid:

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Purchase acquisitions:			
Assets acquired, excluding cash	\$ 68	\$2,353	\$ 408
Liabilities assumed	_	(17)	(9)
Issuance of debt and other obligations	(8)	(33)	(115)
Deferred purchase consideration	80	61	_
Shares issuable	(66)	_	(106)
Net cash outflow for acquisitions	\$ 74	\$2,364	\$ 178
Interest paid	\$307	\$ 198	\$ 172
Income taxes paid	\$156	\$ 383	\$ 542

An analysis of the allowance for doubtful accounts for the three years ended December 31, follows:

(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Balance at beginning of year	\$142	\$115	\$122
Provision charged to operations	49	30	18
Accounts written-off, net of recoveries	(25)	(10)	(35)
Effect of exchange rate changes	(9)	` 7 [′]	10
Balance at end of year	\$157	\$142	\$115

In September 2005, the Company contributed 8 million unregistered shares of MMC stock valued at \$205 million, to the U.S. qualified retirement plan.

3. Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The components of other comprehensive income (loss) are as follows:

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$(271)	\$ 234	\$ 302
Unrealized investment holding gains, net of			
income tax liability of \$10, \$3 and \$54 in 2005,			
2004 and 2003, respectively	18	8	98
Less: Reclassification adjustment for realized			
gains included in net income, net of			
income tax liability of \$55, \$36 and \$12			
in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively	(103)	(66)	(22)
Minimum pension liability adjustment, net of			
income tax benefit of \$3 in 2005, \$123 in			
2004 and \$77 in 2003	(30)	(266)	(201)
Deferred loss on cash flow hedges, net of	` '	, ,	, ,
income tax benefit of \$0, \$(1) and \$(2) in 2005,			
2004 and 2003, respectively	_	(1)	(4)
	\$(386)	\$ (91)	\$ 173

The components of accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of taxes, are as follows:

December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (27)	\$ 244
Net unrealized investment gains	53	138
Minimum pension liability adjustment	(782)	(752)
	\$(756)	\$(370)

4. Acquisitions and Dispositions

During 2005, MMC made nine acquisitions, for total purchase consideration of \$68 million. The allocation of purchase consideration resulted in acquired goodwill of \$45 million as of December 31, 2005. Estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are subject to adjustment when purchase accounting is finalized.

In May 2005, MMC sold the assets of MMC Capital, its private equity manager, to Stone Point Capital LLC, a company controlled by the former managers of MMC Capital for approximately \$3 million. Stone Point has assumed responsibility for management of the Trident Funds and other private equity funds previously managed by MMC Capital. MMC does not participate in the investment decisions or management of Stone Point or the private equity funds managed by Stone Point. MMC continues to own direct investments in insurance and financial services companies, including Ace Ltd., XL Capital Ltd. and Axis Capital Holdings Ltd., as well as its investments in the Trident Funds and other funds managed by Stone Point.

In July 2004, MMC acquired Kroll, the world's leading risk mitigation services firm in an all-cash \$1.9 billion transaction in which Kroll shareholders received \$37 for each outstanding share of Kroll common stock owned. The estimated fair values of assets and liabilities recorded in the financial statements are as follows: net tangible assets of \$46 million, identified intangible assets of \$336 million, and goodwill of \$1.6 billion.

In addition, MMC acquired Synhrgy HR Technologies, a leading provider of human resource technology and outsourcing services, for a total cost of \$115 million in 2004. Substantially all employees of Synhrgy became employees of MMC. Approximately \$7 million of the purchase consideration is subject to continued employment of the selling shareholders and is being recorded as compensation expense over three years. MMC also acquired the Australia and New Zealand operations of Heath Lambert for \$53 million in March of 2004, Prentis Donegan for \$63 million in cash in July of 2004, an additional 30% of the voting stock of PanAgora Asset Management, Inc. (bringing its total to an 80% voting majority) for \$3 million in cash in July of 2004, Centerlink for \$36 million in September 2004 and Corporate Systems for \$72 million in cash in October 2004.

5. Discontinued Operations

MMC sold Crump Group, Inc., its U.S.-based wholesale insurance broker, during the fourth quarter of 2005, and its majority interest in Sedgwick CMS Holdings, a provider of claims management and associated productivity services, on January 31, 2006. As previously discussed, the account balances and activities of these entities were segregated and reported as discontinued operations in the accompanying consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2005 and 2004 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2005. Both of these entities were part of MMC's Risk and Insurance Services segment.

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

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Total Revenue	\$457	\$399	\$344
Income before provision for income tax Provision for income tax	\$ 41 20	\$ 41 19	\$ 43 19
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	21	22	24
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations Provision for income tax	55 41	_	_
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of tax	14	_	_
Discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ 35	\$ 22	\$ 24

Summarized Balance Sheet data for discontinued operations is as follows:

For the Years Ended December 31,		_
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004
Assets of discontinued operations:		
Current assets	\$ 40	\$ 62
Fixed assets, net	31	24
Goodwill and intangible assets	78	83
Other assets	4	4
Total assets of discontinued operations	\$153	\$173
Liabilities of discontinued operations	\$ 89	\$ 46

6. Goodwill and Other Intangibles

MMC is required to assess goodwill and any indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually or more frequently if circumstances indicate impairment may have occurred. In connection with MMC's annual impairment tests in the third quarter of 2005, it was determined that such assets were not impaired.

Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill are as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	
Balance as of January 1, 2005	\$7,459
Goodwill acquired	45
Disposals	(95)
Transfer to identified intangible asset (purchase	
accounting adjustment)	(38)
Other adjustments (a)	(125)
Balance as of December 31, 2005	\$7,246

⁽a) Primarily includes foreign exchange.

Goodwill allocable to each of MMC's reportable segments is as follows: Risk and Insurance Services \$3.7 billion; Risk Consulting and Technology \$1.7 billion; Consulting \$1.7 billion; and Investment Management \$125 million.

The goodwill balance at December 31, 2005 and 2004 includes approximately \$121 million and \$119 million, respectively, of equity method goodwill.

Amortized intangible assets consist of the cost of client lists, client relationships and trade names acquired, and the rights to future revenue streams from certain existing private equity funds. The gross cost and accumulated amortization by major intangible asset class is as follows:

		2005			2004	2004	
December 31, (In millions of dollars)	Gross Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount	
Customer and marketing related Future revenue streams related to	\$638	\$191	\$447	\$613	\$115	\$498	
existing private equity funds	200	125	75	199	108	91	
Total amortized intangibles	\$838	\$316	\$522	\$812	\$223	\$589	

Aggregate amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, was \$99 million and \$64 million, respectively, and the estimated future aggregate amortization expense is as follows:

For the Years Ending December 31,	
(In millions of dollars)	Estimated Expense
2006	\$92
2007	\$74
2008	\$64
2009	\$56
2010	\$41

7. Income Taxes

Income before income taxes and minority interest shown below is based on the geographic location to which such income is attributable. Although income taxes related to such income may be assessed in more than one jurisdiction, the income tax provision corresponds to the geographic location of the income.

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Income before income taxes and minority interest:			
U.S.	\$142	\$(111)	\$1,386
Other	429	513	901
	\$571	\$ 402	\$2,287
Income taxes:			
Current—			
U.S. Federal	\$ (22)	\$ 187	\$ 419
Other national governments	125	80	159
U.S. state and local	53	44	83
	156	311	661
Deferred—			
U.S. Federal	49	(118)	45
Other national governments	(5)	` 67 [′]	60
U.S. state and local	(8)	(20)	(15)
	36	(71)	90
Total income taxes	\$192	\$ 240	\$ 751

The significant components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities and their balance sheet classifications are as follows:

December 31, (In millions of dollars)	2005	2004
Deferred tax assets:		
Accrued expenses not currently deductible (a)	\$ 793	\$ 807
Differences related to non-U.S. operations	215	242
Net operating losses (b)	31	9
Other	62	54
	\$1,101	\$1,112
Deferred tax liabilities:		_
Unrealized investment holding gains	\$ 29	\$ 74
Differences related to non-U.S. operations	91	123
Depreciation and amortization	282	277
Accrued retirement benefits	107	34
Other	24	28
	\$ 533	\$ 536
(a) Net of valuation allowance of \$9 million and \$10 million, respective	vely.	
(b) Net of valuation allowance of \$68 million and \$41 million, respect	•	

Balance sheet classifications:		
Current assets	\$153	\$282
Other assets	\$415	\$294

A reconciliation from the U.S. Federal statutory income tax rate to MMC's effective income tax rate is shown below.

For the Years Ended December 31,	2005	2004	2003
	%	%	%
U.S. Federal statutory rate	35.0	35.0	35.0
U.S. state and local income taxes — net of			
U.S. Federal income tax benefit	5.1	1.6	1.9
Differences related to non-U.S. operations	(5.1)	(8.2)	(4.2)
NYAG lawsuit, including state taxes	` <u> </u>	12.9	· —
Putnam regulatory settlements	_	19.4	_
Meals and entertainment	1.5	2.9	.5
Dividends paid to employees	(1.4)	(3.3)	(.6)
Other	(1.5)	(.9)	.2
Effective tax rate	33.6	59.4	32.8

MMC is routinely examined by the Internal Revenue Service and tax authorities in the United Kingdom, as well as states in which it has significant business operations, such as California, Massachusetts and New York. The tax years under examination vary by jurisdiction. MMC regularly considers the likelihood of assessments in each of the taxing jurisdictions resulting from examinations. MMC has established tax allowances which it believes are adequate in relation to the potential assessments. MMC believes the resolution of tax matters will not have a material effect on the consolidated financial condition of MMC, although a resolution could have a material impact on MMC's net income or cash flows and on its effective tax rate in a particular future period.

The net changes in the valuation allowances for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 were increases of \$26 million and \$19 million respectively. Approximately \$22 million of the cumulative valuation allowances relates to amounts which if realized would reduce goodwill or increase contributed capital in the future. Approximately 70% of the Company's net operating loss carryforwards expire over various periods from 2006 through 2025, and others are unlimited. In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, the Company considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized and adjusts the valuation allowance accordingly. MMC evaluates all significant available positive and negative evidence, including the existence of losses in recent years and its forecast of future taxable income, in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. The underlying assumptions the Company uses in forecasting future taxable income require significant judgment and take into account the Company's recent performance. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent on the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which temporary differences are deductible. Based on the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods in which the deferred tax assets are deductible. MMC believes it is more likely than not that it will realize the benefits of the deferred tax assets, net of existing valuation allowances at December 31, 2005. The amount of the deferred tax assets considered realizable, however, could be reduced in the near term if estimates of future taxable income during the carryforward period are reduced.

The American Jobs Creation Act (the "Act"), adopted on October 22, 2004, provided for a special one-time tax deduction, or dividend received deduction, of 85% of qualifying foreign earnings that are repatriated in either a company's last tax year that began before the enactment date or the first tax year that begins during the one-year period beginning on the enactment date. In the fourth quarter of 2005, MMC recorded an income tax benefit of \$8 million, attributable to the repatriation of approximately \$585 million of qualifying earnings under the provisions of the Act. The \$8 million tax benefit resulted from the reversal of deferred tax liabilities previously provided under SFAS No. 109, which were in excess of the tax liabilities from repatriation of these qualifying earnings.

8. Retirement Benefits

MMC maintains qualified and non-qualified defined benefit pension plans for its eligible U.S. employees and a variety of defined benefit and defined contribution plans for eligible non-U.S. employees. MMC's policy for funding its tax qualified defined benefit pension plans is to contribute amounts at least sufficient to meet the funding requirements set forth in U.S. and applicable foreign law.

The weighted average actuarial assumptions utilized for the U.S. and significant non-U.S. defined benefit plans as of the end of the year are as follows:

	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Weighted average assumptions:				
Discount rate (for expense)	5.5%	5.8%	5.9%	6.3%
Expected return on plan assets	8.4%	8.4%	_	_
Rate of compensation increase				
(for expense)	3.6%	3.7%	_	_
Discount rate (for benefit obligation)	5.1%	5.5%	5.6%	5.9%
Rate of compensation increase				
(for benefit obligation)	3.8%	3.6%	_	_

The long-term rate of return assumption is selected for each plan based on the facts and circumstances that exist as of the measurement date, and the specific portfolio mix of each plan's assets. MMC uses Mercer actuaries to perform the valuations of its pension plans. MMC utilizes a model developed by its actuaries to assist in the setting of this assumption. The model takes into account several factors including: actual and target portfolio allocation; investment, administrative and trading expenses incurred directly by the plan trust; historical portfolio performance; relevant forwardlooking economic analysis; and expected returns, variances, and correlations for different asset classes. All returns utilized and produced by the model are geometric averages. These measures are used to determine probabilities using standard statistical techniques to calculate a range of expected returns on the portfolio. MMC generally does not adjust the rate of return assumption from year to year if, at the measurement date, it is within the best estimate range, defined as between the 25th and 75th percentile of the expected long-term annual returns in accordance with the "American Academy of Actuaries Pension Practice Council Note May 2001 Selecting and Documenting Investment Return Assumptions" and consistent with Actuarial Standards of Practice No. 27. The historical five and ten-year average asset returns of each plan are also reviewed to ensure they are consistent and reasonable compared with the best estimate range. The expected return on plan assets is determined by applying the assumed long-term rate of return to the market-related value of plan assets as defined by SFAS No. 87. This market-related value recognizes investment gains or losses over a five-year period from the year in which they occur. Investment gains or losses for this purpose are the difference between the expected return calculated using the market-related value of assets and the actual return based on the market value of assets. Since the market-related value of assets recognizes gains or losses over a five-year period, the future market-related value of the assets will be impacted as previously deferred gains or losses are recorded.

The target asset allocation for the U.S. plans is 70% equities and 30% fixed income, and for the U.K. plans, which comprise approximately 85% of non-U.S. plan assets, is 58% equities and 42% fixed income. As of the measurement date, the actual allocation of assets for the U.S. plan was 74% to equities and 26% to fixed income, and for the U.K. plans was 57% to equities and 43% to fixed income. The assets of the company's defined benefit plans are well-diversified and are managed in accordance with applicable laws and with the goal of maximizing the plans' real return within acceptable risk parameters. MMC uses threshold based portfolio rebalancing to ensure the actual portfolio remains consistent with target allocations.

The discount rate selected for each U.S. plan is based on a model bond portfolio with durations that match the expected payment patterns of the plan. Discount rates for non-U.S. plans are based on appropriate bond indices such as the IBoxx £ Corporates 15-year index in the U.K. Projected compensation increases reflect current expectations as to future levels of inflation.

The components of the net periodic benefit cost (income) for combined U.S. and significant non-U.S. defined benefit and other postretirement plans are as follows:

For the Years Ended December 31,	Pension Benefits			Postretirement Benefits		
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003	2005	2004	2003
Service cost	\$ 245	\$ 232	\$ 190	\$ 9	\$11	\$ 9
Interest cost	472	422	363	18	20	20
Expected return on plan assets	(640)	(618)	(545)	_	_	_
Amortization of prior service credit	(41)	(38)	(38)	(3)	(2)	(2)
Amortization of transition asset	_	(5)	(5)	_	_	_
Recognized actuarial loss	177	90	26	1	3	5
Net Periodic Benefit Cost (Income)	\$ 213	\$ 83	\$ (9)	\$25	\$32	\$32

The following schedules provide information concerning MMC's U.S. defined benefit pension plans and postretirement benefit plans:

December 31,	U.S. P Ben		U.S. Postretirement Benefits		
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2005	2004	
Change in benefit obligation:					
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$3,013	\$2,538	\$ 309	\$ 290	
Service cost	88	78	8	10	
Interest cost	176	164	15	17	
Amendments	(138)	_	(92)	_	
Actuarial loss	80	347	(27)	3	
Benefits paid	(125)	(114)	(19)	(11)	
Benefit obligation at end of year	\$3,094	\$3,013	\$ 194	\$ 309	
Change in plan assets:					
Fair value of plan assets at beginning					
of year	\$2,635	\$2,407	\$ —	\$ —	
Actual return on plan assets	276	298	_	_	
Employer contributions	229	44	19	11	
Benefits paid	(125)	(114)	(19)	(11)	
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	\$3,015	\$2,635	\$ —	<u> </u>	
Funded status	\$ (79)	\$ (378)	\$(194)	\$(309)	
Unrecognized net actuarial loss	858	899	38	66	
Unrecognized prior service credit	(282)	(185)	(93)	(5)	
Unrecognized transition asset		_	_		
Net asset (liability) recognized	\$ 497	\$ 336	\$(249)	\$(248)	
Amounts recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheets consist of:					
Prepaid benefit cost	\$ 746	\$ 580	\$ —	\$ —	
Accrued benefit liability	(314)	(316)	(249)	(248)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	65	` 72 [°]			
Net asset (liability) recognized	\$ 497	\$ 336	\$(249)	\$(248)	
Accumulated benefit obligation					
at December 31	\$3,021	\$2,846	\$ —	\$ —	

The weighted average actuarial assumptions utilized in determining the above amounts for the U.S. defined benefit and other U.S. postretirement plans as of the end of the year are as follows:

	U.S. Pension Benefits		U.S. Postr Bene	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Weighted average assumptions:				
Discount rate (for expense)	6.0%	6.4%	6.0%	6.4%
Expected return on plan assets	8.75%	8.75%	_	_
Rate of compensation increase				
(for expense)	3.0%	3.15%	_	_
Discount rate (for benefit obligation)	5.9%	6.0%	5.9%	6.0%
Rate of compensation increase				
(for benefit obligation)	3.4%	2.85%	_	_

In September 2005 the Company contributed 8 million unregistered shares of MMC stock, valued at \$205 million, to the U.S. qualified plan. Prior to this contribution, the U.S. qualified plan held no MMC securities. Plan assets of approximately \$2.0 billion and \$1.9 billion at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, were managed by Putnam, which includes both separately managed and publicly available investment funds.

The assets and liabilities of the U.S. defined benefit pension plans were re-measured at October 31, 2005 to reflect a change in substantive plan as defined by SFAS No. 87, "Employer's Accounting for Pensions." The changes include changing the benefit formula from a final average salary to a career average salary as well as a change in the calculation for early retirement benefits. The change in substantive plans reduced the projected benefit obligation by approximately \$138 million.

The projected benefit obligation, accumulated benefit obligation, and fair value of plan assets for the U.S. pension plans with accumulated benefit obligations in excess of plan assets were \$326 million, \$315 million and \$0, respectively, as of December 31, 2005 and \$340 million, \$315 million and \$0, respectively, as of December 31, 2004.

The components of the net periodic benefit cost (income) for the U.S. defined benefit and other postretirement benefit plans are as follows:

For the Years Ended December 31,	U.S. P	ension B	enefits	U.S. Pos	tretirement	Benefits
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003	2005	2004	2003
Service cost	\$ 88	\$ 78	\$ 66	\$8	\$10	\$8
Interest cost	176	164	153	15	17	17
Expected return on plan assets	(233)	(230)	(228)	_	_	_
Amortization of prior service credit	(40)	(38)	(38)	(3)	(2)	(2)
Amortization of transition asset	_	(5)	(5)	_	_	_
Recognized actuarial loss	78	46	18	1	3	5
Net Periodic Benefit Cost (Income)	\$ 69	\$ 15	\$ (34)	\$21	\$28	\$28
Curtailment (Gain)/loss	_	_	_	(1)	_	
Total Expense	\$ 69	\$ 15	\$ (34)	\$20	\$28	\$28

In December 2003, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 became law. The net periodic benefit cost for 2005 shown above includes the subsidy.

The assumed health care cost trend rate for Medicare eligibles was approximately 11.5% in 2005 gradually declining to 5% in the year 2019, and the rate for non-Medicare eligibles was 10.5% in 2005 gradually declining to 5.0% in 2017. Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the U.S. health care plans. A one percentage point change in assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effects:

	1 Percentage	1 Percentage
(In millions of dollars)	Point Increase	Point Decrease
Effect on total of service and interest cost components	\$4	\$(3)
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation	\$2	\$(8)

The following schedules provide information concerning MMC's significant non-U.S. defined benefit pension plans and non-U.S. postretirement benefit plans:

December 31,	Non-U.S. Bene		Non-I Postretii Bene	rement
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2005	2004
Change in benefit obligation:				
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$5,936	\$ 4,666	\$ 62	\$ 55
Service cost	157	154	1	1
Interest cost	296	258	3	3
Employee contributions	37	36	_	_
Actuarial loss (gain)	648	591	9	1
Effect of settlement	(14)	(11)	_	_
Effect of Curtailment	(40)		_	_
Special termination benefits	`17 [′]	6	_	_
Benefits paid	(210)	(162)	(3)	(3)
Foreign currency changes	(539)	429	(2)	5
Plan amendments	`	(31)		_
Benefit obligation at end of year	\$6,288	\$ 5,936	\$ 70	\$ 62
Change in plan assets:				
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$4,815	\$ 3,934	\$ —	\$ —
Actual return on plan assets	785	427	_	_
Effect of settlement	(12)	(11)	_	_
Company contributions	498	239	3	3
Employee contributions	37	36	_	_
Benefits paid	(210)	(162)	(3)	(3)
Foreign currency changes	(443)	352	_	
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	\$5,470	\$ 4,815	\$ —	\$ —
Funded status	\$ (818)	\$(1,121)	\$(70)	\$(62)
Unrecognized net actuarial loss	2,251	2,322	17	9
Unrecognized prior service cost	(24)	(20)	(2)	(3)
Net asset (liability) recognized	\$1,409	\$ 1,181	\$(55)	\$(56)
Amounts recognized in the Balance Sheet consist of:				_
Prepaid benefit cost	\$ 827	\$ 800	\$ —	\$ —
Accrued benefit liability	(452)	(631)	(55)	(56)
Intangible asset	6	9	_	_
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	1,028	1,003	_	
Net asset (liability) recognized	\$1,409	\$ 1,181	\$(55)	\$(56)
Accumulated benefit obligation				
at December 31	\$5,680	\$ 5,261	\$ —	\$ <u> </u>
Weighted average assumptions:				
Discount rate (for expense)	5.3%	5.4%	5.6%	5.7%
Expected return on plan assets	8.2%	8.2%	_	_
Rate of compensation increase (for expense)	4.0%	4.0%	_	_
Discount rate (for benefit obligation)	4.7%	5.3%	4.8%	5.6%
Rate of compensation increase				
(for benefit obligation)	4.0%	4.0%		

The assets and liabilities of the U.K. defined benefit pension plan were re-measured at March 31, 2005 to reflect a plan curtailment as defined by SFAS No. 88, "Employers' Accounting for Settlements and Curtailments of Defined Benefit Pension Plans and for Termination Benefits". Restructuring activities led to a reduction in force which resulted in the elimination of the accrual for defined benefits for a significant number of employees.

The benefit obligation, accumulated benefit obligation, and fair value of plan assets for the non-U.S. pension plans with accumulated benefit obligations in excess of plan assets were \$3.5 billion, \$3.3 billion and \$2.8 billion, respectively, as of December 31, 2005 and \$3.4 billion, \$3.1 billion and \$2.5 billion, respectively, as of December 31, 2004.

The non-U.S. defined benefit plans do not have any direct or indirect ownership of MMC stock.

The components of the net periodic benefit cost for the non-U.S. defined benefit and other postretirement benefit plans and the curtailment, settlement and termination expenses under SFAS 88 are as follows:

For the Years Ended December 31,	Non-		S. Pen nefits	sion	1	Non-	U.S. Postre Benefits	
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2	004	20	03	2005	2004	2003
Service cost	\$ 157	\$	154	\$ -	124	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1
Interest cost	296		258	2	210	3	3	3
Expected return on plan assets	(407)	((388)	(3	317)	_	_	_
Amortization of Prior Service Credit	(1)		_		_	_	_	_
Recognized actuarial loss	99		44		8			
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 144	\$	68	\$	25	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 4
Settlement loss	(1)		3		_	_	_	_
Special termination benefits	17		6		4			
Total expense	\$ 160	\$	77	\$	29	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 4

The assumed health care cost trend rate was approximately 7.0% in 2005, gradually declining to 2.4% in the year 2015. Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the non-U.S. health care plans. A one percentage point change in assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effects:

(In millions of dollars)	1 Percentage Point Increase	1 Percentage Point Decrease
Effect on total of service and interest cost components	\$ 1	\$(1)
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation	\$10	\$(8)

MMC's estimated future benefit payments for its pension and postretirement benefits at December 31, 2005 are as follows:

December 31,	Pension	n Benefits	Postretire	ement Benefits
(In millions of dollars)	U.S.	Non-U.S.	U.S.	Non-U.S.
2006	\$ 140	\$ 333	\$11	\$ 3
2007	148	195	11	3
2008	155	213	12	3
2009	164	237	12	4
2010	173	255	12	4
2011–2015	\$1,041	\$1,444	\$64	\$21

Contribution Plans: MMC maintains certain defined contribution plans for its employees, including the Marsh & McLennan Companies Stock Investment Plan ("SIP") and the Putnam Investments, LLC Profit Sharing Retirement Plan (the "Putnam Plan"). Under these plans, eligible employees may contribute a percentage of their base salary, subject to certain limitations. For the SIP, MMC matches a portion of the employees' contributions, while under the Putnam Plan the contributions are at the discretion of MMC subject to IRS limitations. The SIP contains an Employee Stock Ownership Plan under U.S. tax law and plan assets of approximately \$572 million at December 31, 2005 and \$715 million at December 31, 2004 were invested in MMC stock. Effective October 25, 2004, all participants became eligible to direct their Company matching contributions and all of their employee contribution account balances to any of the available investment options. If a participant does not choose an investment direction for his or her future Company matching contributions, they are automatically invested in the Putnam Fixed Income Fund. SIP plan assets of approximately \$1,028 million and \$973 million at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, were managed by Putnam. The cost of these defined contribution plans was \$90 million, \$97 million and \$97 million for 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

9. Stock Benefit Plans

As described below, MMC maintains multiple share-based payment arrangements under which employees are awarded grants of restricted stock, stock options and other forms of stock-based payment arrangements. Prior to July 1, 2005, MMC accounted for these awards under the recognition and measurement provisions of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" ("APB 25") as permitted under SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123"). Accordingly, compensation cost for stock options was not recognized as long as the stock options granted had an exercise price equal to the market price of MMC's common stock on the date of grant. In addition, MMC's stock purchase plan was not considered compensatory under APB 25 and, therefore, no expense was required to be recognized. The effect of forfeitures on restricted stock, restricted stock units and deferred stock units was recognized when such forfeitures occurred and dividend equivalents on restricted stock units and deferred stock units were expensed in the period incurred. Effective July 1, 2005, MMC adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment," ("SFAS 123 (R)") using the modified-prospective transition method. Under this transition method, compensation cost recognized beginning July 1, 2005 includes compensation cost for all share-based payment arrangements granted prior to, but not yet vested as of July 1, 2005, based on the grant date fair value and expense attribution methodology determined in accordance with the original provisions of SFAS 123, and compensation cost for all share-based payment arrangements granted subsequent to June 30, 2005, based on the grant-date fair value and expense attribution methodology determined in accordance with the provisions of SFAS 123 (R). In addition, MMC's stock purchase plan was considered compensatory during the third guarter of 2005, the effect of forfeitures on restricted stock, restricted stock units and deferred stock units was required to be estimated when recognizing compensation cost and dividend equivalents on restricted stock units and deferred stock units expected to vest were required to be classified as dividends. Results for periods prior to July 1, 2005 have not been restated.

As a result of adopting SFAS 123 (R) on July 1, 2005, MMC's income before income taxes is \$64 million lower than if it had continued to account for share-based payment arrangements under APB 25. The incremental tax benefit resulting from the adoption of SFAS 123 (R) was \$20 million for the year ended December 31, 2005. The cumulative effect of the change in accounting was not material. Basic and diluted earnings per share in 2005 would have been \$0.83 and \$0.82,

respectively, if MMC had not adopted SFAS 123 (R), compared to reported basic and diluted earnings per share of \$0.75 and \$0.74, respectively.

Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123 (R), restricted stock units and deferred stock units were recorded as a liability at their respective grant date fair value. Prepaid compensation cost was recognized for the unearned portion of such awards. Upon implementation of SFAS 123 (R), the respective accrued fair value of such awards of approximately \$110 million was reclassified to equity.

Effective October 1, 2005, certain features in the MMC stock purchase plan were changed so that shares of MMC common stock will be purchased at a price that is 95% of the average market price of the stock on each quarterly purchase date. In accordance with SFAS 123 (R), the stock purchase plan is no longer compensatory beginning October 1, 2005.

If compensation cost for all MMC's share-based payment arrangements had been recognized based on the fair value method prescribed by SFAS 123 for the periods prior to the adoption of SFAS 123 (R), MMC's net income and net income per share in 2005, 2004 and 2003 would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated in the table below.

(In millions of dollars, except per share figures)	2005	2004	2003
Net Income:			
As reported	\$ 404	\$ 176	\$1,540
Adjustment for fair value method, net of tax	(69)	(146)	(171)
Pro forma net income	\$ 335	\$ 30	\$1,369
Net Income Per Share:			
Basic:			
As reported	\$0.75	\$0.33	\$ 2.89
Pro forma	\$0.62	\$0.06	\$ 2.57
Diluted:			
As reported	\$0.74	\$0.33	\$ 2.81
Pro forma	\$0.61	\$0.06	\$ 2.50

The pro forma information reflected above includes stock options issued under MMC's incentive and stock award plans and the Putnam Investments Equity Partnership Plan and stock issued under MMC's stock purchase plan. In addition, the pro forma information reflected above is based on recognizing the costs of employee stock option awards granted prior to July 1, 2005 to retiree-eligible individuals over the full vesting term of the award. Beginning July 1, 2005, MMC began recognizing new employee stock option awards granted to retiree-eligible individuals over a shorter period, consistent with the retirement vesting acceleration provisions of these grants. If the costs of employee stock option awards granted prior to July 1, 2005 to retiree-eligible individuals had been recognized for these individuals under this accelerated method, pro forma net income for the years ended 2005, 2004, and 2003 would have amounted to \$340 million, \$44 million, and \$1.4 billion, respectively.

MMC Incentive and Stock Award Plans

In 2000, the Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. 2000 Employee Incentive and Stock Award Plan (the "2000 Employee Plan") and the Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. 2000 Senior Executive Incentive and Stock Award Plan (the "2000 Executive Plan") were adopted. The types of awards permitted under these plans include stock options, restricted stock, stock bonus units, restricted and deferred stock units payable in MMC common stock or cash, and other stock-based and performance-based awards. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") determines, at its discretion, which affiliates may participate in the plans, which eligible employees will receive awards, the types of awards to be received, and the terms and

conditions thereof. The right of an employee to receive an award may be subject to performance conditions as specified by the Compensation Committee. The 2000 Plans contain provisions which, in the event of a change in control of MMC, may accelerate the vesting of the awards. Awards relating to not more than 80,000,000 shares of common stock may be made over the life of the 2000 Employee Plan plus shares remaining unused under pre-existing employee stock plans. Awards relating to not more than 8,000,000 shares of common stock may be made over the life of the 2000 Executive Plan plus shares remaining unused under pre-existing executive stock plans.

Stock Options: Options granted under the 2000 Plans may be designated as either incentive stock options or non-qualified stock options. The Compensation Committee determines the terms and conditions of the option, including the time or times at which an option may be exercised, the methods by which such exercise price may be paid, and the form of such payment. Options are generally granted with an exercise price equal to the market value of MMC's stock at the date of grant. These option awards generally vest 25% per annum and have a contractual term of 10 years. On March 16, 2005, MMC began granting stock option awards that provide for a performance-based triggering event before a vested option can be exercised. The terms and conditions of these stock option awards provide that (i) options will vest at a rate of 25% a year beginning one year from the date of grant and (ii) each vested tranche will only become exercisable if the market price of MMC's stock appreciates to a level of 15% above the exercise price of the option and maintains that level for at least ten (10) consecutive trading days after the award has vested. For awards without a performance triggering event, compensation cost is generally recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period which is normally the vesting period. For awards with a performance triggering event, each vesting tranche is accounted for as a separate award with its own grant date fair value and requisite service period.

At the May 2005 Annual Meeting, MMC's shareholders approved a stock option exchange offer. Under the exchange offer, eligible employees could exchange certain deeply underwater options for new options with an estimated fair value equal to 90% of the value of options surrendered in exchange, calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model. Effective July 1, 2005, employees elected to exchange 42 million options for 16 million new options. The exchange resulted in the retirement of 26 million options and no incremental compensation expense was incurred in connection with the new option grants. The exercise price of the new options of \$27.86 is equal to the market price of MMC's common stock as of the new grant date. The new options were unvested when granted and will vest on the later of the second anniversary of the new option grant or the vesting date of the tendered option. The other terms and conditions of the new options are substantially similar to those of the tendered options they replaced.

The estimated fair value of options granted without a performance-based triggering event was calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing valuation model. This model takes into account several factors and assumptions. The risk-free interest rate is based on the yield on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term equal to the expected life assumption at the time of grant. The expected life (estimated period of time outstanding) is estimated using the contractual term of the option and the effects of employees' expected exercise and post-vesting employment termination behavior. Expected volatility prior to July 1, 2005 was calculated based on historical volatility for a period equal to the stock option's expected life, calculated on a monthly basis. Subsequent to June 30, 2005, MMC began using a blended volatility rate based on the following: (i) volatility derived from daily closing price observations for the 10 year period ended on the valuation date, (ii) implied volatility derived from traded options for the period one week before and one week after the valuation date and (iii) average volatility for the 10 year periods ended on 15 anniversaries prior to the valuation date, using daily closing price observations. The expected dividend yield is based on expected dividends for the expected term of the stock options.

The assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing valuation model for options granted by MMC in 2005, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

	2	2005		
	Pre 7/1/05	Post 6/30/05	2004	2003
Risk-free interest rate	3.7%	3.9%-4.3%	2.8%	2.75%
Expected life (in years)	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Expected volatility	18.5%	29.0%	19.6%	21.0%
Expected dividend yield	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%

The estimated fair value of options granted with a performance-based triggering event was calculated using a binomial valuation model. The factors and assumptions used in this model are similar to those utilized in the Black-Scholes option pricing valuation model except that the risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury zero-coupon yield curve over the contractual term of the option, and the expected life is calculated by the model.

The assumptions used in the binomial option pricing valuation model for options granted during 2005 are as follows:

	20	05
	Pre 7/1/05	Post 6/30/05
Risk-free interest rate	4.1%-4.5%	4.0%-4.1%
Expected life (in years)	6.7-6.8	5.2-6.5
Expected volatility	17.9%	29.0%
Expected dividend yield	2.2%	2.3%

A summary of the status of MMC's stock option awards as of December 31, 2005 and changes during the year then ended is presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (\$000)
Balance at January 1, 2005 Granted (including 16,300,436 options granted in connection with	86,210,687	\$43.22		
Exchange Offer)	33,166,937	\$29.22		
Exercised	(2,547,092)	\$17.51		
Canceled or exchanged	(41,762,766)	\$47.75		
Forfeited	(8,772,370)	\$43.39		
Expired		_		
Balance at December 31, 2005	66,295,396	\$34.33	5.8 years	\$ 134,744
Options vested or expected to				
vest at December 31, 2005	60,531,432	\$34.27	5.6 years	\$ 126,654
Options exercisable at				
	32,817,410	\$38.61	3.8 years	\$ 58,808

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of MMC's option awards granted during the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$6.51, \$7.51 and \$7.45, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the same periods was \$36 million, \$46 million and \$177 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2005, there was \$152 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to MMC's option awards. The weighted-average period over which that cost is expected to be recognized is

1.5 years. Cash received from the exercise of stock options for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$44.6 million, \$110.5 million, and \$157.8 million, respectively.

MMC's policy is to issue treasury shares upon option exercises or share unit conversion. MMC intends to issue treasury shares as long as an adequate number of those shares is available.

Restricted Stock: Restricted shares of MMC's common stock may be awarded under MMC's incentive and stock award plans and are subject to restrictions on transferability and other restrictions, if any, as the Compensation Committee may impose. The Compensation Committee may also determine when and under what circumstances the restrictions may lapse and whether the participant receives the rights of a stockholder, including, without limitation, the right to vote and receive dividends. Unless the Compensation Committee determines otherwise, restricted stock that is still subject to restrictions is forfeited upon termination of employment. Shares that have been granted generally become unrestricted at the earlier of: (1) January 1 of the eleventh year following the grant or (2) the later of the recipient's normal or actual retirement date. Some restricted shares granted in 2004 cliff vest in seven years. Restricted shares granted in 2005 generally vest over 3 to 5 years.

A summary of the status of MMC's restricted stock awards as of December 31, 2005 and changes during the period then ended is presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Non-vested balance at January 1, 2005	1,749,062	\$42.13
Granted	385,514	\$28.87
Vested	(313,300)	\$35.57
Forfeited	(801,221)	\$43.91
Non-vested Balance at December 31, 2005	1,020,055	\$37.73

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of MMC's restricted stock awards granted during the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$46.12 and \$42.99, respectively. The total fair value of MMC's restricted stock distributed during the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$9.9 million, \$5.1 million and \$4.2 million, respectively.

Restricted Stock Units:

Restricted stock units may be awarded under MMC's Incentive and Stock Award plans. The Compensation Committee determines the restrictions on such units, when the restrictions lapse, when the units vest and are paid, and upon what terms the units are forfeited. The cost of these awards is amortized over the vesting period, which is generally three years.

A summary of the status of MMC's restricted stock unit awards as of December 31, 2005 and changes during the period then ended is presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Non-vested balance at January 1, 2005	1,429,898	\$44.40
Granted	143,291	\$29.43
Vested	(709,184)	\$44.94
Forfeited	(80,420)	\$48.57
Non-vested Balance at December 31, 2005	783,585	\$40.74

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of MMC's restricted stock units granted during the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$42.96 and \$43.22, respectively. The total fair value of MMC's restricted stock units distributed during the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$18.0 million, \$27.5 million and \$21.6 million, respectively.

Deferred Stock Units:

Deferred stock units may be awarded under MMC's incentive and stock award plans. The Compensation Committee determines the restrictions on such units, when the restrictions lapse, when the units vest and are paid, and upon what terms the units are forfeited. The cost of these awards is amortized over the vesting period, which is generally three years.

A summary of the status of MMC's deferred stock unit awards as of December 31, 2005 and changes during the period then ended is presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Non-vested balance at January 1, 2005	6,960,404	\$44.95
Granted	4,478,514	\$29.88
Vested	(1,764,891)	\$48.43
Forfeited	(606,156)	\$40.27
Non-vested Balance at December 31, 2005	9,067,871	\$37.14

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of MMC's deferred stock units granted during the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$44.08 and \$42.90, respectively. The total fair value of MMC's deferred stock units distributed during the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 was \$48.2 million, \$57.5 million and \$41.2 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2005, there was \$219 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to MMC's restricted stock, restricted stock unit and deferred stock unit awards.

MMC Stock Purchase Plans

In May 1999, MMC's stockholders approved an employee stock purchase plan (the "1999 Plan") to replace the 1994 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "1994 Plan") which terminated on September 30, 1999 following its fifth annual offering. Effective October 1, 2004, certain features in these plans were changed. Under these new features, shares are purchased four times during the plan year (instead of one annual purchase on the last business day of the plan year as was done previously). Also, for the Plan year from October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005, shares of MMC common stock were purchased at a price that is 85% of the average market price on each quarterly purchase date. Beginning October 1, 2005, shares are purchased at a price that is 95% of the average market price on each quarterly purchase date. Prior to October 1, 2004, shares were purchased at a price based on 85% of the lower of the market price at the beginning or end of the plan year. Under the 1999 Plan, no more than 40,000,000 shares of MMC's common stock plus the remaining unissued shares in the 1994 Plan may be sold. Employees purchased 4,004,716 shares during the year ended December 31, 2005. At December 31, 2005, 24,180,209 shares were available for issuance under the 1999 Plan. In July 2002, the MMC Board of Directors approved an additional 5,000,000 shares of common stock for issuance under the 1995 MMC Stock Purchase Plan for International Employees (the "International Plan"). With the additional shares under the International Plan, no more than 8,000,000 shares of MMC's common stock may be sold. Employees purchased 1,212,110 shares during the year ended December 31, 2005. At December 31, 2005, 750,777 shares

were available for issuance under the International Plan. Based on the terms in effect as of October 1, 2005, the plan is considered non-compensatory under SFAS 123(R).

Putnam Investments Equity Partnership Plan

Under the Putnam Investments Equity Partnership Plan, as amended, (the "Equity Plan") Putnam is authorized to grant or sell shares to certain employees of Putnam or its subsidiaries restricted common shares of Putnam Investments Trust, the parent of Putnam Investments, LLC ("Class B Common Shares") and grant options to acquire the Class B Common Shares. Such awards or options generally vest over a period of two to four years. Holders of Putnam Class B Common Shares are not entitled to vote and have no rights to convert their shares into any other securities of Putnam. Awards of restricted stock and/or options may be made under the Equity Plan with respect to a maximum of 16,500,000 shares of Class B Common Shares, which would represent approximately 16% of the outstanding shares on a fully diluted basis, as increased for certain issuances of Putnam Class A Common Stock to MMC.

Options on Class B Shares:

Options on Class B shares of Putnam's common stock, which may be awarded under Putnam's Equity Partnership Plan are subject to restrictions on transferability and other restrictions, if any, as the Compensation Committee may impose. Unless the Compensation Committee determines otherwise, the exercise price for each option is the fair market value of a Class B share on the date of the option grant. All options granted to a participant become exercisable in accordance with the vesting schedule set forth in the applicable award agreement, provided that the compensation committee has the right to accelerate the exercisability of any option. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, each option shall terminate on and shall not be exercisable after the tenth or sixth anniversary of the Grant Date of such option, as applicable.

On September 29, 2005, certain eligible participants in the Putnam Investments Trust Equity Partnership Plan participated in a voluntary option exchange pursuant to the terms of the *Offer to Exchange Certain Outstanding Options* (the "Offer to Exchange"), dated August 30, 2005. Under the Offer to Exchange, holders of options on Class B shares meeting certain eligibility requirements could elect to exchange those options for restricted shares with the equivalent value of the exchanged options, as determined using the Black-Scholes valuation model. As a result of the Offer to Exchange, a total of 2,201,850 options were retired and 139,388 restricted shares were issued at a grant price of \$28.26 per share, which vest on September 1, 2007.

The assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option pricing valuation model for options granted by Putnam in 2005, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

	2005	2004	2003
Risk-free interest rate	4.1%	3.5%	2.5%
Expected life (in years)	4.5	5.0	5.0
Expected volatility	27.9%	26.8%	29.4%
Expected dividend yield	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%

A summary of the status of Putnam's stock option awards as of December 31, 2005 and changes during the period then ended is presented below:

	Options on Class B Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (\$000)
Balance at January 1, 2005	4,869,555	\$61.61		
Granted	5,138,000	\$28.62		
Exercised	<u> </u>	_		
Canceled	_	_		
Forfeited or exchanged	(3,182,925)	\$63.62		
Expired		_		
Balance at December 31, 2005	6,824,630	\$35.83	6.7 years	\$0
Options vested or expected to vest at December 31, 2005	6,268,964	\$36.37	6.7 years	\$0
Options exercisable at December 31, 2005	1,487,505	\$57.63	4.2 years	\$0

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of Putnam's option awards granted for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$4.88, \$4.87 and \$6.55, respectively. No options were exercised in 2005 and 2004. During 2003, 54,850 options were exercised.

As of December 31, 2005, there was \$19 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to Putnam's option awards. The weighted-average period over which that cost is expected to be recognized is 3.5 years.

Restricted Stock: Restricted shares of Putnam's common stock which may be awarded or sold under Putnam's Equity Partnership Plan are subject to restrictions on transferability and other restrictions, if any, as the Compensation Committee may impose. Unless the Compensation Committee determines otherwise, restricted stock that is still subject to restrictions is forfeited upon termination of employment. All restricted stock granted or sold to a participant vests in accordance with the vesting schedule set forth in the applicable award agreement, provided that the Compensation Committee has the right to accelerate the vesting of any restricted stock.

A summary of the status of Putnam's restricted stock awards as of December 31, 2005 and changes during the period then ended is presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Non-vested balance at January 1, 2005	1,929,496	\$41.69
Granted (including 139,388 shares granted in connection		
with the Offer to Exchange)	4,111,304	\$28.38
Vested	(657,353)	\$49.21
Forfeited	(173,401)	\$33.96
Non-vested Balance at December 31, 2005	5,210,046	\$30.50

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of Putnam's restricted stock awards granted during the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$33.48 and \$37.00, respectively. The total fair value of Putnam's restricted stock vested during the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$19 million, \$22 million, and \$33 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2005, there was \$110 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to Putnam's restricted stock awards.

10. Long-term Commitments

MMC leases office facilities, equipment and automobiles under noncancelable operating leases. These leases expire on varying dates; in some instances contain renewal and expansion options; do not restrict the payment of dividends or the incurrence of debt or additional lease obligations; and contain no significant purchase options. In addition to the base rental costs, occupancy lease agreements generally provide for rent escalations resulting from increased assessments for real estate taxes and other charges. Approximately 97% of MMC's lease obligations are for the use of office space.

The consolidated statements of income include net rental costs of \$470 million, \$485 million and \$450 million for 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively, after deducting rentals from subleases (\$22 million in 2005, \$20 million in 2004 and \$21 million in 2003).

At December 31, 2005, the aggregate future minimum rental commitments under all noncancelable operating lease agreements are as follows:

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	Gross Rental Commitments	Rentals from Subleases	Net Rental Commitments
2006	\$ 499	\$ 33	\$ 466
2007	455	44	411
2008	396	44	352
2009	329	41	288
2010	295	41	254
Subsequent years	1,952	374	1,578
	\$3,926	\$577	\$3,349

MMC has entered into agreements with various service companies to outsource certain information systems activities and responsibilities. Under these agreements, MMC is required to pay minimum annual service charges. Additional fees may be payable depending upon the volume of transactions processed with all future payments subject to increases for inflation. At December 31, 2005, the aggregate fixed future minimum commitments under these agreements are as follows:

For the Years Ending December 31, (In millions of dollars)	Future Minimum Commitments
2006	\$ 65
2007	38
2008	32
Subsequent years	46
	\$181

11. DebtMMC's outstanding debt is as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	December 31,	December 31,	
(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	
Short-term:			
Commercial paper	\$ —	\$ 129	
Bank borrowings — U.S.	_	376	
Bank borrowings — International	429	61	
Current portion of long-term debt	69	70	
	\$ 498	\$ 636	
Long-term:			
Term loan — 2 year floating rate note due 2006	\$ —	\$1,300	
Senior notes — 7.125% due 2009	399	399	
Senior notes — 5.375% due 2007 (4.0% effective interest			
rate)	508	514	
Senior notes — 6.25% due 2012 (5.1% effective interest			
rate)	264	266	
Senior notes — 3.625% due 2008	249	249	
Senior notes — 4.850% due 2013	249	249	
Senior notes — 5.875% due 2033	295	295	
Senior notes — 5.375% due 2014	647	646	
Senior notes — 3 year floating rate note due 2007 (4.27% at			
December 31, 2005)	499	499	
Senior notes — 5.15% due 2010	547	_	
Senior notes — 5.75% due 2015	745	_	
Mortgage — 5.70% due 2035	473	_	
Mortgage — 9.8% due 2009	_	200	
Notes payable — 8.62% due 2005	_	65	
Notes payable — 7.68% due 2006	60	61	
Bank borrowings — International	168	_	
Other	10	18	
	5,113	4,761	
Less current portion	69	70	
	\$5,044	\$4,691	

The weighted average interest rates on MMC's outstanding short-term debt at December 31, 2005 and 2004 are 6% and 3%, respectively.

In December 2005, MMC and certain of its foreign subsidiaries entered into a new \$1.2 billion multi-currency revolving credit facility. Subsidiary borrowings under the facility are unconditionally guaranteed by MMC. The facility expires in December 2010. It replaces MMC's \$1.0 billion and \$700 million revolving credit facilities, which were scheduled to expire in 2007 and 2009, respectively. The interest rate on this facility varies based upon the level of usage of the facility and MMC's credit ratings. The facility requires MMC to maintain certain coverage and leverage ratios tested quarterly. Prior to year-end, certain of MMC's foreign subsidiaries borrowed approximately \$510 million under the facility. Proceeds from the borrowings were used primarily to fund the repatriation of accumulated earnings pursuant to the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004.

In September 2005, MMC entered into a 30-year \$475 million fixed rate non-recourse mortgage loan agreement due 2035, bearing an interest rate of 5.70%, in connection with its interest in its worldwide

headquarters building in New York City. MMC prepaid its existing \$200 million 9.8% mortgage due 2009. The incremental proceeds from the refinancing, net of mortgage prepayment costs, were used to repay outstanding short-term debt. In the event the mortgage is foreclosed following a default, MMC would be entitled to remain in the space and would be obligated to pay rent sufficient to cover interest on the notes or at fair market value if greater. Mortgage prepayment costs of \$34 million related to this transaction are included in interest expense in the consolidated statements of income.

In September 2005, MMC issued \$550 million of 5.15% Senior Notes due 2010 and \$750 million of 5.75% Senior Notes due 2015 (the "2005 Notes"). The net proceeds from the 2005 Notes were used to pay down the \$1.3 billion term loan facility, discussed below.

Additional credit facilities, guarantees and letters of credit are maintained with various banks, primarily related to operations located outside the United States, aggregating \$354 million at December 31, 2005 and \$331 million at December 31, 2004. There was \$83 million outstanding at December 31, 2005 and there was \$61 million outstanding under these facilities at December 31, 2004.

In December 2004, MMC completed financing with respect to a \$1.3 billion term loan facility and the amendment of its existing \$1 billion revolving credit facility which was scheduled to expire in June 2007 and \$700 million revolving credit facility which was scheduled to expire in June 2009. The term loan facility, which was repaid with proceeds from the issuance of the 2005 Notes, was scheduled to mature on December 31, 2006 and replaced revolving credit facilities of \$700 million and \$355 million, which were scheduled to expire in 2005. The proceeds from the term loan facility were used to pay down outstanding balances on revolving credit facilities. The interest rates on the Term Loan and amended facilities varied based upon the level of usage of each facility and MMC's credit ratings. Each of these facilities required MMC to maintain certain coverage and leverage ratios and the facility guarantors to meet certain guaranty minimum coverage percentages.

In July 2004, MMC purchased Kroll, Inc. in an all-cash transaction totaling approximately \$1.9 billion. The purchase was initially funded with commercial paper borrowings. To support these borrowings, MMC negotiated a new \$1.5 billion, one-year revolving credit facility. Following the acquisition, MMC issued \$650 million of 5.375% Senior Notes due 2014 and \$500 million of Floating Rate Notes due 2007. The proceeds from these notes were used to repay a portion of MMC's commercial paper borrowings. Under the terms of the agreement of the above-mentioned credit facility, the amount of the facility was reduced by the proceeds from the issuance of the Senior Notes and Floating Rate Notes of approximately \$1.15 billion. The available revolving credit facility totaled \$355 million after the issuance of these notes and in December 2004 was replaced by the Term Loan Facility.

Scheduled repayments of long-term debt in 2006 and in the four succeeding years are \$69 million, \$1.12 billion, \$258 million, \$408 million and \$558 million, respectively.

12. Financial Instruments

The estimated fair value of MMC's significant financial instruments 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 MMC would realize upon disposition nor do they indicate MMC's intent or ability to dispose of the financial instrument.

December 31, (In millions of dollars)	200	2005 20		04
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,020	\$2,020	\$1,370	\$1,370
Long-term investments	\$ 277	\$ 277	\$ 558	\$ 558
Short-term debt	\$ 498	\$ 498	\$ 636	\$ 636
Long-term debt	\$5,044	\$5,062	\$4,691	\$4,705

Cash and Cash Equivalents: The estimated fair value of MMC's cash and cash equivalents approximates their carrying value.

Long-term Investments: Long-term investments primarily consist of available for sale securities recorded at quoted market prices. MMC also has certain additional long-term investments, for which there are no readily available market prices, amounting to \$54 million and \$75 million at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, which are carried on a cost basis. MMC monitors these investments for impairment and makes appropriate reductions in carrying values when necessary.

MMC had available for sale securities and trading investments with an aggregate fair value of \$223 million and \$483 million at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, which are carried at market value under SFAS 115. Gross unrealized gains amounting to \$82 million and \$212 million at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively have been excluded from earnings and reported, net of deferred income taxes, in accumulated other comprehensive loss, which is a component of stockholders' equity.

MMC recorded net gains associated with its available for sale securities of \$158 million, \$102 million and \$34 million, in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. Proceeds from the sale of available for sale securities for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 were \$293 million, \$170 million and \$94 million, respectively. Gross realized gains on available for sale securities sold during 2005, 2004 and 2003 amounted to \$158 million, \$107 million and \$49 million, respectively. In 2005, 2004 and 2003, MMC recorded losses of \$0 million, \$5 million and \$15 million, respectively, related to the decline in value of certain available for sale securities that were other than temporary. The cost of securities sold is determined using the average cost method for equity securities. The gains and losses described above are included in Investment income (loss) in the consolidated statements of income.

MMC also holds investments in certain private equity fund partnerships which are accounted for using the equity method. MMC's share of gains from such investments, and from trading securities and investments held at cost, of \$29 million, \$98 million and \$66 million in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively, is included in Investment income (loss) in the consolidated statements of income.

A portion of insurance fiduciary funds which MMC holds to satisfy fiduciary obligations is invested in high quality debt securities which are generally held to maturity. The difference between cost and fair value of these investments is not material.

Short-term and Long-term Debt: The fair value of MMC's short-term debt, which consists primarily of commercial paper borrowings and bank loans, approximates its carrying value. The estimated fair value of MMC's long-term debt is based on discounted future cash flows using current interest rates available for debt with similar terms and remaining maturities.

13. Integration and Restructuring Costs

2005 Plan

In March 2005, MMC announced that it would undertake restructuring initiatives involving staff reductions and consolidations of facilities in response to MMC's business environment (the "2005 Plan"). In connection with this plan, MMC incurred restructuring charges of \$310 million in the twelve months ended December 31, 2005, of which \$255 million was recorded in risk and insurance services and \$55 million was recorded in corporate. The amounts incurred and paid in 2005 and the liability as of December 31, 2005 are as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	Accrued in 2005	Utilized in 2005	Remaining Liability at 12/31/05
Severance and benefits	\$197	\$(128)	\$ 69
Future rent on non-cancelable leases	114	(37)	77
Other exit costs	(1)	12 ^(a)	11
	\$310	\$(153)	\$157

⁽a) Includes approximately \$36 million of payments received on the disposals of small commercial accounts and other dispositions.

Additional costs of approximately \$50 million related to the 2005 restructuring are expected to be incurred after December 31, 2005. The expenses associated with these initiatives are included in Compensation and Benefits or in Other operating expenses in the consolidated statements of income based on the nature of the item. Liabilities associated with these initiatives are classified in the consolidated balance sheets as Accounts payable, Other liabilities, or Accrued salaries, depending on the nature of the items.

2004 Plan

In November 2004, MMC announced that it would undertake restructuring initiatives involving staff reductions and consolidations of facilities in response to MMC's business environment (the "2004 Plan"). In connection with the 2004 Plan, MMC incurred restructuring charges of \$337 million in the year ended December 31, 2004 and \$3 million in 2005. The breakdown by segment was \$234 million, \$62 million, and \$26 million in risk and insurance services, consulting and investment management, respectively. An additional \$18 million of restructuring expense was recorded in corporate. Utilization of the 2004 charges is summarized as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	Accrued in 2004	Utilized in 2004	Utilized in 2005	Additions/ Changes in Estimates 2005	Remaining Liability at 12/31/05
Severance and benefits	\$273	\$(48)	\$(194)	\$(1)	\$30
Future rent on non-cancelable leases	28	(1)	(17)	(2)	8
Lease termination costs	18	_	(2)	1	17
Other exit costs	18	(10)	(8)	5	5
	\$337	\$(59)	\$(221)	\$ 3	\$60

The expenses associated with the 2005 Plan and the 2004 Plan are included in Compensation and benefits or in Other operating expenses in the consolidated statements of income, and liabilities associated with these initiatives are classified on the consolidated balance sheets as Accounts payable, Other liabilities, or Accrued salaries, depending on the nature of the items.

Restructuring costs in 2005 also include a \$4 million increase to the estimated liability for future rent under non-cancelable leases related to the Johnson and Higgins and Sedgwick acquisitions.

14. Common Stock

MMC has not repurchased common stock in 2005.

In 2004, MMC repurchased shares of its common stock for treasury as well as to meet requirements for issuance of shares for its various stock compensation and benefit programs. During 2004, MMC repurchased 11.4 million shares for total consideration of \$524 million, compared with 26.1 million shares for total consideration of \$1.2 billion in 2003.

15. Stockholder Rights Plan

On September 18, 1997, MMC's Board of Directors approved the extension of the benefits afforded by MMC's previously existing rights plan by adopting a new stockholder rights plan, which was amended and restated as of January 20, 2000 and further amended on June 7, 2002. Under the current plan, Rights to purchase stock, at a rate of one Right for each common share held, were distributed to shareholders of record on September 29, 1997 and automatically attach to shares issued thereafter. Under the plan, the Rights generally become exercisable after a person or group (i) acquires 15% or more of MMC's outstanding common stock or (ii) commences a tender offer that would result in such a person or group owning 15% or more of MMC's common stock. When the Rights first become exercisable, a holder will be entitled to buy from MMC a unit consisting of one six-hundredth of a share of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock of MMC at a purchase price of \$200. If any person acquires 15% or more of MMC's common stock or if a 15% holder acquires MMC by means of a reverse merger in which MMC and its stock survive, each Right not owned by a 15% or more shareholder would become exercisable for common stock of MMC (or in certain circumstances, other consideration) having a market value equal to twice the exercise price of the Right. The Rights expire on September 29, 2007, except as otherwise provided in the plan.

16. Claims, Lawsuits and Other Contingencies

New York State Attorney General Investigation and Related Litigation and Regulatory Matters

New York State Attorney General Investigation and Lawsuit

On October 14, 2004, the Office of the New York State Attorney General ("NYAG") filed a civil complaint in New York State court (the "NYAG Lawsuit") against MMC and Marsh Inc. (collectively, "Marsh") asserting claims under New York law for fraudulent business practices, antitrust violations, securities fraud, unjust enrichment, and common law fraud. The complaint alleged that market service agreements between Marsh and various insurance companies (the "Agreements") created an improper incentive for Marsh to steer business to such insurance companies and to shield them from competition. The complaint further alleged that the Agreements were not adequately disclosed to Marsh's clients or MMC's investors. In addition, the complaint alleged that Marsh engaged in bid-rigging and solicited fraudulent bids to create the appearance of competitive bidding. The complaint sought relief that included an injunction prohibiting Marsh from engaging in the alleged wrongful conduct, disgorgement of all profits related to such conduct, restitution and unspecified damages, attorneys' fees, and punitive damages.

On October 21, 2004, the New York State Insurance Department (the "NYSID") issued a citation, amended on October 24, 2004 (the "Amended Citation"), that ordered MMC and a number of its

subsidiaries and affiliates that hold New York insurance licenses to appear at a hearing and show cause why regulatory action should not be taken against them. The Amended Citation charged the respondents with the use of fraudulent, coercive and dishonest practices; violations of Section 340 of the New York General Business Law relating to contracts or agreements for monopoly or in restraint of trade; and violations of the New York Insurance Law that resulted from unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices. The Amended Citation contemplated a number of potential actions the NYSID could take, including the revocation of licenses held by the respondents.

Following the announcement of the NYAG Lawsuit and related actions taken by MMC, the MMC stock price dropped from approximately \$45 per share to a low of approximately \$22.75 per share.

On January 30, 2005, MMC and Marsh entered into an agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with NYAG and the NYSID to settle the NYAG Lawsuit and the Amended Citation.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Marsh agreed to establish a fund of \$850 million (the "Fund"), payable over four years, for Marsh policyholder clients. A copy of the Settlement Agreement was previously disclosed as an exhibit to MMC's Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 31, 2005. As a general matter, U.S. policyholder clients who retained Marsh to place insurance between 2001 and 2004 that resulted in Marsh receiving market service revenue were eligible to receive a pro rata distribution from the Fund, provided that they notified Marsh of their decision to participate in the Fund by September 20, 2005. Approximately 70,000 eligible policyholders across the United States have elected to receive a distribution, and will receive approximately \$750 million of the \$850 million made available under the Fund. Clients who have voluntarily elected to participate in the Fund have tendered a release relating to the matters alleged in the NYAG Lawsuit and the Amended Citation, except for claims which are based upon, arise out of or relate to the purchase or sale of MMC securities. No portion of the Fund represents a fine or penalty against Marsh and no portion of the Fund will revert to Marsh.

In 2004, MMC recorded a charge of \$850 million for the amount to be paid into the Fund in accordance with the Settlement Agreement. In addition, in the fourth quarter of 2004 and the first quarter of 2005, MMC recorded charges totaling \$16 million for the expected cost to calculate and administer payments out of the Fund.

Marsh also agreed to undertake, among other things, the following business reforms within 60 days of the date of the Settlement Agreement:

- a. Marsh will accept compensation for its services in placing, renewing, consulting on or servicing any insurance policy only by a specific fee paid by the client; or by a specific percentage commission on premium to be paid by the insurer; or a combination of both. The amount of such compensation must be fully disclosed to, and consented to in writing, by the client prior to the binding of any policy;
- b. Marsh must give clients prior notification before retaining interest earned on premiums collected on behalf of insurers;
- c. In placing, renewing, consulting on or servicing any insurance policy, Marsh will not accept from or request of any insurer any form of contingent compensation;
- In placing, renewing, consulting on or servicing any insurance policy, Marsh will not knowingly use wholesalers for the placement, renewal, consultation on or servicing of insurance without the agreement of its client;

- e. Prior to the binding of an insurance policy, Marsh will disclose to clients all quotes and indications sought or received from insurers, including the compensation to be received by Marsh in connection with each quote. Marsh also will disclose to clients at year-end Marsh's compensation in connection with the client's policy; and
- f. Marsh will implement company-wide written standards of conduct relating to compensation and will train relevant employees in a number of subject matters, including business ethics, professional obligations, conflicts of interest, anti-trust and trade practices compliance, and record keeping.

The MMC Board of Directors has established a compliance committee of the Board to monitor compliance with the standards of conduct regarding compensation from insurers. The committee will make quarterly reports to the Board of the results of its monitoring activity for a period of five years.

The Settlement Agreement further provides that Marsh reserves the right to request that NYAG and the NYSID modify the Settlement Agreement if compliance with any portion thereof proves impracticable. On April 28, 2005, the parties entered into Amendment No. 1 to the Settlement Agreement, which modifies the scope of the application of the business reforms provisions with respect to MMC operations outside the United States. This amendment was included as an exhibit to MMC's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q dated March 31, 2005. In addition, in connection with MMC's October 2005 sale of Crump Group, Inc., its U.S.-based wholesale broking business, the parties entered into Amendment No. 2 to the Settlement Agreement, dated September 27, 2005, for the purpose of clarifying that the Settlement Agreement shall not apply to Crump Group, Inc. following such sale.

Though Mercer Inc. ("Mercer") was not a defendant in the NYAG Lawsuit, U.S. policyholder clients that retained Mercer between 2001 and 2004 to place, renew, consult on or service insurance policies that resulted in Mercer receiving contingent commissions were also eligible to participate in the Fund.

On October 25, 2004, NYAG announced that it would not bring criminal charges against Marsh. The Settlement Agreement does not resolve any investigation, proceeding or action commenced by NYAG or NYSID against any former or current employees of Marsh. As part of the Settlement Agreement, Marsh apologized for the improper conduct of certain employees. Marsh also agreed to continue to cooperate with NYAG and NYSID in connection with their ongoing investigations of the insurance industry, and in any related proceedings or actions. Since the filing of the NYAG lawsuit, ten former Marsh employees have pleaded guilty to criminal charges relating to the matters under investigation. On September 15, 2005, eight former Marsh employees (including one individual who has since pleaded guilty) were indicted on various counts relating to these same matters. NYAG has indicated that its investigation of the insurance industry is continuing. Trial against the remaining 7 defendants is scheduled for January 2007.

Related Litigation

As of February 24, 2006, numerous lawsuits have been commenced against MMC, one or more of its subsidiaries, and their current and former directors and officers, relating to matters alleged in the NYAG Lawsuit, including the following:

Approximately 21 putative class actions purportedly brought on behalf of policyholders were filed in various federal courts. A number of these federal cases were transferred to the District of New Jersey for coordination or consolidated pretrial proceedings (the "MDL Cases"). On August 1, 2005, two consolidated amended complaints were filed in the MDL Cases (one on behalf of a purported class of "commercial" policyholders and the second on behalf of a purported class of "employee benefit" policyholders), which as against MMC and certain affiliates allege statutory claims for violations of the Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act and federal and state antitrust laws, together with common law claims for breach of fiduciary duty and unjust enrichment. The complaints seek a variety of remedies, including unspecified monetary damages, treble damages, disgorgement, restitution, punitive damages, declaratory and injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees and costs. The class periods alleged in the MDL Cases begin on August 26, 1994 and purport to continue to the date of any class certification. On November 29, 2005, MMC and the other defendants moved to dismiss the two consolidated amended complaints.

Six class or representative actions on behalf of policyholders are pending in state courts. There are also 16 actions brought by individual policyholders and others in federal and state courts relating to matters alleged in the NYAG Lawsuit, and additional policyholder suits may be filed. MMC expects that all policyholder actions filed in the U.S. federal courts will be transferred to the District of New Jersey as described above. In addition, two putative class actions are pending in Canada.

- On January 21, 2005, the State of Connecticut brought an action against Marsh in the Connecticut Superior Court. The State alleged that Marsh violated Connecticut's Unfair Trade Practices Act by accepting \$50,000 from an insurer in connection with a placement Marsh made for Connecticut's Department of Administrative Services (the "DAS"). On September 21, 2005, the State amended its complaint. In addition to its allegations about the DAS transaction, the amended complaint asserts that Marsh violated Connecticut's antitrust and unfair trade practices acts by engaging in bid rigging and other improper conduct that purportedly damaged particular customers and inflated insurance premiums. The State also claims that Marsh improperly accepted contingent commissions and concealed these commissions from its clients. Marsh has moved to stay this action pending the outcome of the MDL Cases.
- Four purported class actions on behalf of individuals and entities who purchased or acquired MMC's publicly-traded securities during the purported class periods are pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. On January 26, 2005, the Court issued an order consolidating these complaints into a single proceeding and appointing co-lead plaintiffs and co-lead counsel to represent the purported class. On April 19, 2005, the co-lead plaintiffs filed a lengthy consolidated complaint. The consolidated complaint names MMC, Marsh, Inc., MMC's independent registered public accounting firm and twenty present and former directors and officers of MMC and certain affiliates as defendants. The purported class period in the consolidated complaint extends from October 14, 1999 to October 13, 2004.

The consolidated complaint alleges, among other things, that MMC inflated its earnings during the class period by engaging in unsustainable business practices based on contingent commissions, and caused the plaintiffs and other members of the purported class to purchase MMC's securities at artificially inflated prices. The consolidated complaint further alleges that MMC failed to disclose that the revenue derived from market service agreements with insurers was part of an unlawful scheme, which could not be sustained and which exposed MMC to significant regulatory sanctions, and that MMC failed to disclose certain alleged anti-competitive and illegal practices, such as "bid rigging" and soliciting fictitious quotes, at MMC's subsidiaries. The consolidated complaint further alleges that MMC's revenues and earnings would have been significantly lower had MMC's subsidiaries not engaged in these allegedly unlawful business practices, and that MMC's earnings were overstated because MMC failed to establish a reserve for contingent losses associated with its allegedly improper activities.

The consolidated complaint includes factual allegations similar to those asserted in the NYAG Lawsuit, as well as factual allegations concerning alleged misconduct at Mercer and Putnam and alleged conflicts of interest associated with MMC Capital. The consolidated complaint includes claims for violations of Sections 10(b), 18 and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Sections 11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, based on MMC's allegedly false or incomplete disclosures. In addition, the consolidated complaint includes claims for common law fraud and deceit, negligent misrepresentation, and violations of state securities laws, which are being asserted on behalf of a subclass of municipal and state pension funds. The consolidated complaint seeks unspecified compensatory damages and attorneys' fees. All defendants have filed motions to dismiss the consolidated complaint.

- Four individual shareholder actions have been filed against MMC and others in various state
 courts around the country. MMC and other defendants removed these four actions to federal
 court. Two actions have since been remanded to state court. One remains pending in
 federal court, and one has been transferred for inclusion in the consolidated proceeding
 described immediately above.
- A number of shareholder derivative actions are pending against MMC's current and former directors and officers. Five actions in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware have been consolidated as a single action (the "Delaware Derivative Action"). Five actions in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York have been consolidated as a single action (the "Federal Derivative Action"). One action is pending in the New York Supreme Court for New York County. These shareholder derivative actions allege, among other things, that current and former directors and officers of MMC breached their fiduciary duties with respect to the alleged misconduct described in the NYAG Lawsuit, are liable to MMC for damages arising from their alleged breaches of fiduciary duty, and must contribute to or indemnify MMC for any damages MMC has suffered. The Delaware Derivative Action is stayed pending a ruling on a motion to dismiss the Southern District of New York securities class action. The derivative action pending in the New York Supreme Court has also been stayed pending resolution of the Federal Derivative Action.

On August 24, 2005, two purported stockholders of MMC filed an action in the Delaware Court of Chancery, allegedly on behalf of MMC and Marsh, Inc., naming MMC's independent registered public accounting firm as a defendant and alleging claims of breach of professional duty, aiding and abetting and breach of contract against such firm in connection with actions taken by its personnel with respect to MMC and its subsidiaries. The parties to

this derivative action have agreed that it will also remain stayed pending resolution of the motions to dismiss the Southern District of New York securities class action.

MMC has also received six demand letters from stockholders asking the MMC Board of Directors to take appropriate legal action against those directors and officers who are alleged to have caused damages to MMC based on the facts alleged in the NYAG Lawsuit. MMC has advised the stockholders making demands that their demands are under consideration by the MMC Board of Directors. M.F. Henry, one of the stockholders who had made such a demand, subsequently filed a shareholder derivative complaint, which has been consolidated in the Federal Derivative Action. Henry has since amended her complaint to assert individual claims against certain current and former directors and officers of MMC, alleging violations of the federal securities laws, including Sections 10(b), 14(a) and 20 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Lead counsel to plaintiffs and counsel to defendants in the Federal Derivative Action have submitted a stipulation seeking to stay the Federal Derivative Action in favor of the Delaware Derivative Action. Henry has objected to the proposed stay; the court is reviewing the matter.

- Twenty purported class actions alleging violations of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), have been filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York on behalf of participants and beneficiaries of the Marsh & McLennan Companies Stock Investment Plan (the "Plan"). On February 9, 2005, the Court issued an order consolidating these complaints into a single proceeding and appointing co-lead plaintiffs and lead counsel to represent the purported class. Plaintiffs filed a consolidated class action complaint (the "Consolidated Complaint") on June 15, 2005, naming MMC and various current and former employees, officers and directors as defendants. The Consolidated Complaint alleges, among other things, that in view of the purportedly fraudulent bids and the receipt of contingent commissions pursuant to the market service agreements referred to above, the defendants knew or should have known that the investment of the Plan's assets in MMC stock was imprudent. The Consolidated Complaint also asserts that certain defendants failed to provide the Plan's participants with complete and accurate information about MMC stock, that certain defendants responsible for selecting, removing and monitoring other fiduciaries did not comply with ERISA, and that MMC knowingly participated in other defendants' breaches of fiduciary duties. The Consolidated Complaint seeks, among other things, unspecified compensatory damages, injunctive relief and attorneys' fees and costs. The amount of Plan assets invested in MMC stock at October 13, 2004 (immediately prior to the announcement of the NYAG Lawsuit) was approximately \$1.2 billion. The Consolidated Complaint alleges that during the purported class period, which extends from July 1, 2000 until January 31, 2005, MMC stock fell from \$52.22 to \$32.50. MMC and the other defendants have filed a motion to dismiss the Consolidated Complaint.
- On February 23, 2005, the plaintiffs in a shareholder derivative suit pending in the Delaware Court of Chancery against the directors and officers of American International Group, Inc. ("AIG") filed a consolidated complaint which, as subsequently amended, names as additional defendants MMC, Marsh, Inc., Marsh USA Inc., Marsh Global Broking Inc. (collectively, the "MMC Corporate Defendants"), MMC's former CEO, and five former Marsh employees who have pleaded guilty to certain criminal charges (the former CEO and former employees, together with the MMC Corporate Defendants, the "MMC Defendants"). This action alleges, among other things, that the MMC Defendants, certain AIG employees and others engaged in conspiracy and common law fraud with respect to the alleged misconduct described in the NYAG Lawsuit, including, but not limited to, illegal bid rigging and kickback schemes, and

that AIG was harmed thereby. This action further alleges that the MMC Corporate Defendants aided and abetted the current and former directors and officers of AIG in breaching their fiduciary duties to AIG with respect to AIG's participation in the alleged misconduct described in the NYAG Lawsuit and that the MMC Corporate Defendants were unjustly enriched. The consolidated complaint asserts that the MMC Defendants are liable to AIG for damages and also seeks the return of all contingent commission payments made by AIG to the MMC Corporate Defendants.

In addition, on May 6, 2005, the plaintiffs in a shareholder derivative suit pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "AIG Federal Suit") against the directors and officers of AIG filed a consolidated complaint which, as subsequently amended, names MMC, Marsh USA, Inc., Marsh Global Broking, Inc. and MMC's former CEO as additional defendants and asserts claims against MMC and the former CEO for allegedly aiding and abetting breaches of fiduciary duties by AIG's directors and officers and for unjust enrichment. The complaint seeks damages and the disgorgement of contingent commissions.

Both the Delaware Chancery Court derivative action and the AIG Federal Suit are stayed by orders of the respective courts. In addition, plaintiffs' counsel in a federal securities fraud purported class action against AIG and others (to which MMC is not a party) relating to price declines in AIG's stock has indicated that plaintiffs may assert claims against MMC in that action.

• On May 13, 2005, the plaintiffs in a purported securities fraud class action suit pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against Axis Capital Holdings Limited ("Axis") and certain of its officers filed a consolidated complaint that named MMC, among others, as an additional defendant. This purported class action is on behalf of all persons and entities that purchased or acquired Axis's publicly traded common stock during a purported class period from August 6, 2003 to October 14, 2004. The complaint alleges violations of federal securities laws in connection with defendants' purported failure to disclose alleged improper business practices concerning incentive commission payments by Axis to (among others) Marsh Inc. With regard to MMC, the complaint also alleges that various entities and partnerships managed by or associated with MMC Capital Inc. sold Axis common stock to members of the purported class knowing of the alleged inflated valuation of such stock, and seeks damages for alleged violations of federal securities laws. MMC and the other defendants have moved to dismiss this action.

Related Regulatory Matters

• Following the filing of the NYAG Lawsuit, MMC and certain of its subsidiaries received notices of investigations and inquiries, together with requests for documents and information, from attorneys general, departments of insurance and other state and federal governmental entities in a number of jurisdictions (other than New York) that relate to the allegations in the NYAG Lawsuit. As of February 24, 2006, offices of attorneys general in 22 jurisdictions have issued one or more requests for information or subpoenas calling for the production of documents or for witnesses to provide testimony. Subpoenas, letters of inquiry and other information requests have been received from departments of insurance or other state agencies in 38 jurisdictions. MMC and its subsidiaries are cooperating with these requests from regulators. MMC has been contacted by certain of the above state entities indicating that they may file civil actions or otherwise seek additional monetary or other remedies from MMC. In addition, MMC or its subsidiaries may face administrative

- proceedings or other regulatory actions, fines or penalties, including, without limitation, actions to revoke or suspend their insurance broking licenses.
- On September 21, 2005, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (the "NAIC") issued a press release indicating that over 30 state insurance regulators working collaboratively through the NAIC had reached a multi-state regulatory settlement with MMC and Marsh Inc. The NAIC settlement agreement reaffirms MMC's commitment, under the Settlement Agreement with NYAG and the NYSID, to establish a no-fault compensation fund for policyholder clients across the United States, and provides for state-by-state enforcement of the business reforms agreed to be implemented pursuant to the Settlement Agreement. The NAIC settlement agreement has been executed by MMC and Marsh Inc. and, as of February 24, 2006, has been adopted by insurance commissioners in thirty-three states, the District of Columbia and Guam.

Putnam-Related Matters

Regulatory Matters

• In 2003 and 2004, Putnam entered into settlements with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Massachusetts Securities Division") with respect to excessive short-term trading by certain former Putnam employees in shares of the Putnam mutual funds (the "Putnam Funds"). Under the settlements, Putnam paid in 2004 a total of \$110 million (\$10 million in restitution and \$100 million in civil fines and penalties). Putnam also agreed to undertake a number of remedial compliance actions and to engage an independent assessment consultant (the "IAC") to determine the amount of restitution that Putnam would be required to pay to make investors in the Putnam Funds whole for losses attributable to the short-term trading.

The settlements permit Putnam to apply up to \$25 million of the \$110 million settlement payment against any amount the IAC determines to be due as restitution to Putnam Fund shareholders. Therefore, any amount of restitution above \$25 million requires a separate additional payment by Putnam. In March 2005, the IAC concluded that \$108.5 million was the total amount of restitution payable by Putnam to Putnam Fund shareholders. Accordingly, Putnam recorded a charge for \$83.5 million (\$108.5 million, less \$25 million) in 2004. In addition to the \$108.5 million in restitution, Putnam Funds shareholders will receive a distribution of \$45 million from the civil penalty Putnam previously paid to the SEC. The IAC is acting as the independent distribution consultant and developing a plan that will provide for the distribution of these restitution amounts to Putnam Funds shareholders. Putnam will incur additional costs in connection with implementing the distribution plan.

In a separate action, the SEC is seeking an injunction against two of the former Putnam employees involved in the short-term trading referenced above.

In late 2003 and continuing through the Spring of 2005, Putnam received document subpoenas and/or requests for information from various other federal and state regulatory and enforcement authorities inquiring into, among other things, the matters that were the subject of the proceedings by the SEC and the Massachusetts Securities Division as described above.

 In the Spring of 2004, Putnam received document requests and subpoenas from the Massachusetts Securities Division, NYAG, the SEC and the Department of Labor relating to plan expense reimbursement agreements between Putnam and certain multi-employer deferred compensation plans that are Putnam clients, and also relating to Putnam's relationships with consultants retained by multi-employer deferred compensation plans. At that time, the Massachusetts Securities Division took testimony from a number of Putnam employees relating to these matters.

• Commencing in 2004, the Enforcement Staff of the SEC's Boston Office investigated certain matters that arose in the defined contribution plan administration business formerly conducted by Putnam Fiduciary Trust Company ("PFTC"). One of the matters related to the manner in which certain operational errors were corrected in connection with a January 2001 transfer and investment of assets on behalf of a 401(k) defined contribution plan. The manner in which these errors were corrected affected the plan and five of the Putnam Funds in which certain plan assets were invested. Following the discovery of this matter, Putnam notified the regulatory authorities, made restitution to the plan and the affected Putnam Funds and made a number of changes in its personnel and procedures. A second matter related to the source and use of funds paid to a third-party vendor by PFTC in exchange for information consulting services. Putnam has re-processed the payment of these consulting expenses in accordance with Putnam's corporate expense payment procedures.

On December 30, 2005, based upon the results of its investigation, the SEC filed an action in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts against six former PFTC personnel. In a press release relating to the filing, the SEC said it would not bring any enforcement action against PFTC because of its cooperation with the SEC's investigation.

During the course of the SEC's investigation of these matters, issues arose relating to the calculation of certain cost reimbursements paid by the Putnam Funds in previous years to Putnam for transfer agent services relating to defined contribution operations. These issues are being reviewed by Putnam and the Trustees of the Putnam Funds and, pending the completion of this review, Putnam has recorded charges totaling \$37 million for the estimated cost (including interest) that it believes will be necessary to address these issues. Putnam also has briefed the SEC, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") and other governmental authorities on this matter.

- In October 2004 the Department of Labor indicated its preliminary belief that Putnam may have violated certain provisions of ERISA related to investments by the Putnam Profit Sharing Retirement Plan and certain discretionary ERISA accounts in Putnam Funds that pay 12b-1 fees. Putnam has made a written submission to the Department of Labor addressing these issues.
- Since December 2003, Putnam has received various requests for information from the
 Department of Labor regarding the Putnam Profit Sharing Retirement Plan, including
 requests for information relating to (i) Plan governance, (ii) Plan investments, including
 investments in MMC stock, (iii) the purported ERISA class actions relating to MMC's receipt
 of contingent commissions and other matters, which are discussed above, (iv) the market
 timing-related "ERISA Actions," which are discussed below, and (v) the suspensions of
 trading in MMC stock imposed by Putnam on its employees in October and November 2004.
- The Fort Worth office of the SEC has stated that it does not believe that the previous structure of the Putnam Research Fund's investment management fee, which included a performance component in addition to a base fee, fully complied with SEC regulations concerning performance fees. In order to resolve this matter, Putnam submitted an offer of settlement to the SEC's Fort Worth office on December 30, 2005. The offer of settlement, pursuant to which Putnam would neither admit nor deny wrongdoing, remains subject to acceptance by the SEC. On November 18, 2005, in connection with the proposed

settlement, Putnam reimbursed the Putnam Research Fund in a total amount of \$1.65 million. The reimbursement represents a retroactive adjustment to the fee structure from April 1, 1997 (the date when the performance fee was put in effect) through September 27, 2004 (when the performance fee was terminated).

- Starting in May 2004, Putnam received and responded to requests for information from the
 Washington staff of the SEC's Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations, in the
 context of an SEC sweep concerning closed-end fund distributions. In April and July 2005,
 Putnam received and responded to follow-up requests concerning the same subject matter
 from the SEC's Division of Enforcement, which has indicated its belief that Putnam's
 issuance of notices to shareholders in connection with dividend payments by certain of
 Putnam's closed-end funds did not comply with applicable SEC disclosure requirements.
 Putnam is currently engaged in discussions with the SEC staff regarding a resolution of
 this matter.
- Starting in January 2004, the NASD has made several requests for information relating to reimbursement of expenses to participants at certain sales meetings (during the period from 2001 to 2004). Putnam has fully responded to these requests and is cooperating with the NASD's investigation.

"Market-Timing" Related Litigation

MMC and Putnam have received complaints in over 70 civil actions based on allegations of "market-timing" and, in some cases, "late trading" activities. These actions were filed in courts in various states. All of the actions filed in federal court have been transferred, along with actions against other mutual fund complexes, to the United States District Court for the District of Maryland for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings. The lead plaintiffs in those cases filed consolidated amended complaints on September 29, 2004. MMC and Putnam moved to dismiss the various complaints pending in federal court in Maryland, which are described below:

- MMC and Putnam, along with certain of their former officers and directors, were named in a consolidated amended class action complaint (the "MMC Class Action") purportedly brought on behalf of all purchasers of the publicly-traded securities of MMC between January 3, 2000 and November 3, 2003 (the "Class Period"). In general, the MMC Class Action alleges that the defendants, including MMC, allowed certain mutual fund investors and fund managers to engage in market-timing in the Putnam Funds. The complaint further alleges that this conduct was not disclosed until late 2003, in violation of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. The complaint alleges that, as a result of defendants' purportedly misleading statements or omissions, MMC's stock traded at inflated levels during the Class Period. The suit seeks unspecified damages and equitable relief. In an opinion dated February 27, 2006, the district court granted defendants' motions to dismiss all claims against them.
- MMC and Putnam were also named as defendants in a consolidated amended complaint filed on behalf of a putative class of investors in certain Putnam Funds, and in another consolidated amended complaint in which certain fund investors purport to assert derivative claims on behalf of all Putnam Funds. These suits seek to recover unspecified damages allegedly suffered by the funds and their shareholders as a result of purported market-timing and late-trading activity that allegedly occurred in certain Putnam Funds. The derivative suit seeks additional relief, including termination of the investment advisory contracts between Putnam and the funds, cancellation of the funds' 12b-1 plans and the return of all advisory and 12b-1 fees paid by the funds over a certain period of time. In addition to MMC and

Putnam, the derivative suit names as defendants various Putnam affiliates, certain trustees of Putnam Funds, certain present and former Putnam officers and employees, and persons and entities that allegedly engaged in or facilitated market-timing or late trading activities in Putnam Funds. The complaints allege violations of Sections 11, 12(a), and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, Sections 36(a) and (b), 47 and 48(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, and Sections 206 and 215 of the Investment Advisers Act, as well as state law claims for breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, unjust enrichment and civil conspiracy. On November 3, 2005, with regard to the class action complaint, the court dismissed all claims against Putnam except for claims alleging violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 10b-5 thereunder and Sections 36(b) and 48(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. The court deferred ruling on MMC's motion to dismiss claims against MMC. With regard to the derivative complaint, the court further dismissed all claims against Putnam and MMC except for claims alleging violations of Section 36(b) and Section 48(a). Putnam has also been named as a defendant in its capacity as a sub-advisor to a non-Putnam fund in a class action suit pending in the District of Maryland against another mutual fund complex.

- A consolidated amended complaint asserting shareholder derivative claims has been filed, purportedly on behalf of MMC, against current and former members of MMC's Board of Directors, two of Putnam's former officers, and MMC as a nominal defendant (the "MMC Derivative Action"). The MMC Derivative Action generally alleges that the members of MMC's Board of Directors violated the fiduciary duties they owed to MMC and its shareholders as a result of a failure of oversight of market-timing in the Putnam Funds. The MMC Derivative Action alleges that, as a result of the alleged violation of defendants' fiduciary duties, MMC suffered damages. The suit seeks unspecified damages and equitable relief. MMC has also received two demand letters from stockholders asking the MMC Board of Directors to take action to remedy alleged breaches of duty by certain officers, directors, trustees or employees of MMC or Putnam, based on allegations of market-timing in the Putnam Funds. The first letter asked to have the Board of Trustees of the Putnam Funds, as well as the MMC Board, take action to remedy those alleged breaches of fiduciary duty. The second letter demanded that MMC commence legal proceedings against the MMC directors, the senior management of Putnam, the Putnam Funds' Trustees and MMC's auditor to remedy those alleged breaches of fiduciary duty.
- MMC, Putnam, and various of their current and former officers, directors and employees have been named as defendants in two consolidated amended complaints that purportedly assert class action claims under ERISA (the "ERISA Actions"). The ERISA Actions, which have been brought by participants in MMC's Stock Investment Plan and Putnam's Profit Sharing Retirement Plan, allege, among other things, that, in view of the market-timing trading activity that was allegedly allowed to occur at Putnam, the defendants knew or should have known that the investment of the plans' funds in MMC stock and Putnam's mutual fund shares was imprudent and that the defendants breached their fiduciary duties to the plan participants in making these investments. The ERISA Actions seek unspecified damages and equitable relief, including the restoration to the plans of all profits the defendants allegedly made through the use of the plans' assets, an order compelling the defendants to make good to the plans all losses to the plans allegedly resulting from defendants' alleged breaches of their fiduciary duties, and the imposition of a constructive trust on any amounts by which any defendant allegedly was unjustly enriched at the expense of the plans.

• A number of the Putnam Funds have been named as defendants in a purported class action brought on behalf of certain holders of the funds' Class B shares who either (i) held such shares and were subject to certain contingent deferred sales charges ("CDSCs") as of October 28, 2003, or (ii) were assessed a CDSC for redeeming such shares on or after October 28, 2003. Plaintiff alleges that Putnam engaged in misconduct constituting a breach of contract and breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing with purported class members by allowing market-timing. Plaintiff seeks, among other things, actual damages or statutory damages of \$25 for each class member (whichever is greater) and relief from paying a CDSC for redeeming Class B shares. In August 2005, this action was transferred to the consolidated proceedings in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, described above.

Putnam has agreed to indemnify the Putnam Funds for any liabilities arising from market-timing activities, including those that could arise in the above securities litigations, and MMC has agreed to guarantee Putnam's obligations in that regard.

Other Putnam Litigation

- Putnam Investment Management, LLC and Putnam Retail Management Limited Partnership have been sued in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts for alleged violations of Section 36(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 in connection with the receipt of purportedly excessive advisory and distribution fees paid by certain Putnam Funds in which plaintiffs purportedly owned shares. Plaintiffs seek, among other things, to recover the "excessive" advisory and distribution fees paid to defendants by those funds beginning one year prior to the filling of the complaint, rescission of the management and distribution agreements between defendants and the funds, and a prospective reduction in fees. On March 28, 2005, the Court granted in part and denied in part defendants' motion to dismiss the complaint. Plaintiffs served an amended complaint on April 4, 2005. On January 19, 2006, the Court granted plaintiffs' motion for leave to file a second amended complaint, and granted defendants' motion for partial summary judgment, limiting the scope of the suit to the fees paid by the five Putnam Funds.
- Certain Putnam entities have been named as defendants in a suit brought in the District Court of Travis County, Texas by a former institutional client, the Employee Retirement System of Texas ("ERS"). ERS alleges that Putnam breached its investment management agreement and did not make appropriate disclosures to ERS at the time the investment management agreement was executed. Putnam has removed the action to the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, and ERS has moved to remand the action to state court. Putnam also is awaiting the conclusion of an arbitration process involving similar issues with another former institutional client. Putnam has provided for the estimated liability related to this matter.
- Putnam may be subject to employment-related claims by former employees who left Putnam
 in connection with various regulatory inquiries, including claims relating to deferred
 compensation. A former Putnam senior executive has notified Putnam of his intention to
 initiate an arbitration proceeding against Putnam arising from the circumstances of his
 separation from Putnam. To date, no such action has been commenced.
- Commencing on July 9, 2004, PFTC, as well as Cardinal Health and a number of other Cardinal-related fiduciaries, were named as defendants in a litigation pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio relating to the allegedly imprudent investment of retirement plan assets in Cardinal stock in the Cardinal Health Profit Sharing,

Retirement and Savings Plan and its predecessor plans. PFTC was a directed trustee of this plan. At a hearing on February 10, 2006, the judge stated that he expected to dismiss the complaint with respect to PFTC and to issue a written opinion within two to three weeks.

Other Governmental Inquiries Relating to MMC and its Subsidiaries

- On June 13, 2005, the European Commission announced its intention to commence an
 investigation (a so-called sector inquiry) into competition in the financial services sector. In
 announcing the investigation, the Commission stated, among other things: "The Commission
 is concerned that in some areas of business insurance (the provision of insurance products
 and services to businesses), competition may not be functioning as well as it could....
 Insurance and reinsurance intermediation will also be part of the inquiry."
- On May 19, 2005, the SEC issued a subpoena to MMC relating to certain loss mitigation insurance and reinsurance products. The SEC had previously issued a subpoena to MMC in early 2003 relating to loss mitigation products. MMC and its subsidiaries have received similar inquiries from regulators and other authorities in several states. On April 18, 2005, the Office of Insurance Regulation in the State of Florida issued a subpoena to Guy Carpenter & Company, Inc. concerning certain reinsurance products. On May 4, 2005, the Office of Insurance and Fire Safety Commissioner in the State of Georgia issued a subpoena to MMC that requested, among other things, information relating to finite insurance placements. On May 23, 2005, the Office of the Attorney General in the State of Connecticut issued a subpoena to MMC concerning finite insurance. MMC and its subsidiaries are cooperating with these and other informal inquiries.
- The SEC is examining the practices, compensation arrangements and disclosures of consultants that provide services to sponsors of pension plans or other market participants, including among other things, practices with respect to advice regarding the selection of investment advisors to manage plan assets. On March 22, 2005, Mercer Investment Consulting, Inc. ("Mercer IC") received a letter from the SEC outlining its findings and requesting that Mercer IC improve certain disclosures and procedures. On April 22, 2005, Mercer IC responded to that letter, indicating that it had made or will make the improvements requested by the SEC. Since that time, Mercer IC received separate letters from the Boston office of the Enforcement Division of the SEC requesting additional information. Mercer IC has responded to these requests and continues to cooperate with the SEC.
- In November 2004, MMC, Putnam and Mercer received requests for information from the Boston office of the Enforcement Division of the SEC in connection with an informal investigation of a former program pursuant to which MMC affiliates referred business to one another and received compensation for such referrals. MMC, Putnam and Mercer responded to these requests and are cooperating with the SEC.
- On February 8, 2005 the Department of Labor served a subpoena on MMC seeking
 documents pertaining to services provided by MMC subsidiaries to employee benefit plans,
 including but not limited to documents relating to how such subsidiaries have been
 compensated for such services. The request also sought information concerning market
 service agreements and the solicitation of bids from insurance companies in connection with
 such services. MMC is cooperating with the Department of Labor.
- On December 21, 2004, MMC received a request for information pursuant to a formal investigation commenced by the SEC. The request for information seeks documents

concerning related-party transactions of MMC or MMC subsidiaries in which transactions a director, executive officer or 5% stockholder of MMC had a direct or indirect material interest. On April 29, 2005, MMC received a subpoena from the SEC broadening the scope of the original request. MMC is cooperating in the investigation. Certain current and former employees of MMC have been noticed to testify in connection with this matter.

Other Matters Relating to MMC and its Subsidiaries

- MMC and its subsidiaries are subject to a significant number of other claims, lawsuits and proceedings in the ordinary course of business. Such claims and lawsuits consist principally of alleged errors and omissions (known as E&O's) in connection with the performance of professional services. Some of these claims seek damages, including punitive damages, in amounts that could, if awarded, be significant. MMC provides for these exposures by a combination of third-party insurance and self-insurance. For policy years 2000-2001 and prior, substantial third-party insurance is in place above the annual aggregate limits of MMC's self-insured retention, which was \$50 million annually for policy years 1998–1999. 1999–2000 and 2000–2001. To the extent that expected losses exceed MMC's self-insured retention in any policy year, MMC records an asset for the amount that MMC expects to recover under its third-party insurance programs. The policy limits and coverage terms of the third-party insurance vary to some extent by policy year, but MMC is not aware of coverage defenses or other obstacles to coverage that would limit recoveries in those years in a material amount. In policy years subsequent to 2000-2001, the availability of third-party insurance has declined substantially which has caused MMC to assume increasing levels of self-insurance. MMC utilizes internal actuarial and other estimates, and case level reviews by inside and outside counsel, to establish loss reserves which it believes are adequate to provide for this self-insured retention. These reserves are reviewed quarterly and adjusted as developments warrant.
- On February 7, 2005, Olwyco LLC ("Olwyco") commenced a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and, after voluntarily dismissing that action, subsequently filed a new complaint in New York State Supreme Court, County of New York (the "State Lawsuit"). The claims in the State Lawsuit, which named MMC, Mercer Management Consulting, Inc. ("Mercer Management") and Mercer Inc. as defendants, arose from a February 21, 2003 agreement in which Mercer Management agreed to purchase substantially all of Olwyco's assets and, as part of the consideration, to transfer shares of MMC stock to Olwyco in April 2005, 2006 and 2007. Olwyco alleged that the price of MMC stock at the time of the agreement was inflated artificially as a result of a failure to disclose alleged violations of law that later became the subject of the NYAG Lawsuit and the Putnam "market timing" litigation. In December 2005, the parties agreed to settle this matter, and the State Lawsuit has been dismissed with prejudice.
- In connection with its acquisition of U.K.-based Sedgwick Group in 1998, MMC acquired several insurance underwriting businesses that were already in run-off, including River Thames Insurance Company Limited ("River Thames"), which MMC sold in 2001. Sedgwick guaranteed payment of claims on certain policies underwritten through the Institute of London Underwriters (the "ILU") by River Thames (such guarantee being hereinafter referred to as the "ILU Guarantee"). The policies covered by the ILU 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 December 31, 2005, the reinsurance coverage exceeded the best estimate of the projected liability of the policies covered by the ILU 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 MMC under the ILU Guarantee.

From 1980 to 1983, MMC owned indirectly the English & American Insurance Company ("E&A"), which was a member of the ILU. The ILU required MMC 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 MMC's agreement to post an evergreen letter of credit that is available to pay claims on E&A policies issued through the ILU and incepting between July 3, 1980 and October 6, 1983. Representatives of the ILU and of E&A have indicated that potentially significant claims could be made in the near future against the letter of credit. MMC has recorded a liability to provide for this potential exposure.

The proceedings described in this Note 16 on Claims, Lawsuits and Other Contingencies seek significant monetary damages and other forms of relief. Where a loss is both probable and reasonably estimable, MMC has established reserves in accordance with SFAS No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies". Except as specifically set forth above, MMC's management is unable, at the present time, to provide a reasonable estimate of the range of possible loss attributable to the foregoing proceedings or the impact they may have on MMC's consolidated results of operations or financial position (over and above MMC's existing loss reserves) or MMC's cash flows (to the extent not covered by insurance). The principal reasons for this are that many of these cases, particularly the matters related to "market service agreements" and "market-timing", are in their early stages. For example, the sufficiency of the complaints has not yet been tested in most of the cases, and, in many of the cases, only limited discovery, if any, has taken place. Thus, at this time, it is not possible to reasonably estimate the possible loss or range of loss on these matters. Adverse determinations in one or more of the matters discussed above could have a material impact on MMC's financial condition or the results of MMC's operations in a future period.

17. Segment Information

MMC's organization structure and segment reporting is based on the types of services provided.

During 2005, the management of certain businesses was transferred between operating segments, which included the transfer of the U.S. and U.K. employee benefits businesses from Marsh to Mercer HR and the transfer of certain risk consulting practices from Kroll to Marsh.

Results are reported in four segments:

- Risk and Insurance Services, comprising insurance services (Marsh), reinsurance services (Guy Carpenter), and Risk Capital Holdings;
- Risk Consulting and Technology (Kroll);
- Consulting, including Mercer Human Resource Consulting and Mercer's Specialty Consulting businesses; and
- Investment Management (Putnam).

MMC has reclassified prior year amounts to reflect organizational changes that affected MMC's reportable segments.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those used for the consolidated financial statements described in Note 1. The information in the following tables has been amended to reflect MMC's revised segment reporting structure and also reflects the classification of Crump and SCMS as discontinued operations. Revenues are attributed to geographic areas on the basis of where the services are performed. Segment performance is evaluated based on segment operating income, which includes

investment income and losses attributable to each segment, directly related expenses, and charges or credits related to integration and restructuring but not MMC corporate-level expenses.

Selected information about MMC's operating segments and geographic areas of operation follow:

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions of dollars)	Revenue	Operating Income	Total Assets	Depreciation and Amortization	Capital Expenditures
2005— Risk and Insurance Services Risk Consulting & Technology Consulting Investment Management	\$ 5,592(a) 946(b) 3,802(c) 1,506(d)	\$ 305 124 451 263	\$11,465 2,524 3,595 1,882	\$221 84 96 69	\$153 54 83 36
Total Operating Segments	\$11,846	\$1,143	\$19,466	\$470	\$326
Corporate/Eliminations Assets of Discontinued Operations	(194) —	(287)(e) —	(1,727)(f) 153	11 —	2 17
Total Consolidated	\$11,652	\$ 856	\$17,892	\$481	\$345
2004— Risk and Insurance Services Risk Consulting & Technology Consulting	\$ 6,205(a) 405(b) 3,637(c)	\$ 84 48 409	\$ 9,428 2,284 3,858(g)	\$225 33 99	\$223 21 55
Investment Management	1,710(d)	98	2,038	79	49
Total Operating Segments Corporate/Eliminations Assets of Discontinued Operations	\$11,957 (196) —	\$ 639 (39) —	\$17,608 (717)(f) 173	\$436 14 —	\$348 14 14
Total Consolidated	\$11,761	\$ 600	\$18,498	\$450	\$376
2003— Risk and Insurance Services Risk Consulting & Technology Consulting Investment Management	\$ 6,133(a) 19(b) 3,290(c) 1,955(d)	\$1,607 (8) 461 503	\$ 8,876 — 3,552(g) 2,303	\$199 — 89 87	\$275 — 70 45
Total Operating Segments	\$11,397	\$2,563	\$14,731	\$375	\$390
Corporate/Eliminations Assets of Discontinued Operations	(197) —	(115) —	185(f) 137	12 —	40 6
Total Consolidated	\$11,200	\$2,448	\$15,053	\$387	\$436

⁽a) Includes interest income on fiduciary funds (\$151 million in 2005, \$130 million in 2004 and \$114 million in 2003).

- (b) Includes inter-segment revenue (\$27 million in 2005 and \$2 million in 2004).
- (c) Includes inter-segment revenue (\$154 million in 2005, \$173 million in 2004, and \$184 million in 2003).
- (d) Includes inter-segment revenue (\$10 million in 2005 and 2004, and \$8 million in 2003).
- (e) Corporate expenses in 2005 include \$64 million of incremental expense, primarily related to stock options, resulting from the implementation of SFAS 123(R) effective July 1, 2005.
- (f) Corporate assets primarily include unallocated goodwill, insurance recoverables, prepaid pension and a portion of MMC's headquarters building.
- (g) Total consulting assets are higher than previously reported in 2004 due to the Investment in Delta held by Human Resource Consulting not eliminated after the split of the two consulting product lines. Offset included in Corporate/Eliminations.

Operating Segment Revenue by Product is as follows:

(In millions of dollars)	2005	2004	2003
Risk & Insurance Services			
Insurance Services	\$ 4,567	\$ 5,166	\$ 5,167
Reinsurance Services	836	859	836
Risk Capital Holdings	189	180	130
Total Risk & Insurance Services	5,592	6,205	6,133
Risk Consulting & Technology	946	405	19
Consulting			
Human Resource Consulting	2,708	2,704	2,533
Specialty Consulting	909	774	612
	3,617	3,478	3,145
Reimbursed Expenses	185	159	145
Total Consulting	3,802	3,637	3,290
Investment Management	1,506	1,710	1,955
Total Operating Segments	\$11,846	\$11,957	\$11,397
Corporate/Eliminations	(194)	(196)	(197)
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Total	\$11,652	\$11,761	\$11,200
Information by geographic area is as follows:	2005	2004	
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Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area:		. ,	
Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue —	2005	2004	2003
Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue — United States	2005 \$ 6,818	2004 \$ 7,033	2003 \$ 7,180
Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue — United States United Kingdom	2005 \$ 6,818 2,043	\$ 7,033 2,083	2003 \$ 7,180 1,760
Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue — United States United Kingdom Continental Europe	2005 \$ 6,818 2,043 1,461	2004 \$ 7,033 2,083 1,456	2003 \$ 7,180 1,760 1,241
Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue — United States United Kingdom Continental Europe	2005 \$ 6,818 2,043 1,461 1,524	\$ 7,033 2,083 1,456 1,385	2003 \$ 7,180 1,760 1,241 1,216
Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue — United States United Kingdom Continental Europe Other	2005 \$ 6,818 2,043 1,461 1,524 \$11,846	\$ 7,033 2,083 1,456 1,385 \$11,957	\$ 7,180 1,760 1,241 1,216 \$11,397
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Information by geographic area is as follows: (In millions of dollars) Geographic Area: External Revenue — United States United Kingdom Continental Europe Other Corporate/Eliminations Fixed Assets — United States United Kingdom	\$ 6,818 2,043 1,461 1,524 \$11,846 (194) \$11,652	\$ 7,033 2,083 1,456 1,385 \$11,957 (196) \$11,761 \$ 882 308	\$ 7,180 1,760 1,241 1,216 \$11,397 (197) \$11,200 \$ 907 308

Segment Reclassifications and Discontinued Operations

MMC has reclassified prior period reported amounts to reflect organizational changes that affected MMC's reportable segments. The following changes are reflected in the segment data presented below:

• The transfer of Marsh's U.K. employee benefits business from Insurance Services to Human Resource Consulting.

- The transfer of several consulting businesses, which included business continuity management, mass tort and complex liability mitigation, and data services for the management of insurance, claims and legal data, from Risk Consulting & Technology to Insurance Services.
- The discontinued operations classifications for the U.S. wholesale broking and claims management businesses, which were previously part of Related Insurance Services.

Revenue:		Twelve Months Ended			
2005	March 31,	June 30,	Sept. 30,	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,
Risk and Insurance Services					
Insurance Services	\$1,232	\$1,172	\$1,028	\$1,135	\$ 4,567
Reinsurance Services	282	192	207	155	836
Risk Capital Holdings	63_	54	45_	27	189
Total Risk and Insurance Services	1,577_	1,418	1,280	1,317	5,592
Risk Consulting & Technology	233_	241_	242_	230	946
Consulting					
Human Resource Consulting	676	696	672	664	2,708
Specialty Consulting	210	229_	222_	248	909
Deimburged Europee	886	925	894	912	3,617
Reimbursed Expenses	38	47	46	54	185
Total Consulting	924	972	940	966	3,802
Investment Management	398_	377	371_	360	1,506
Total Operating Segments	3,132	3,008	2,833	2,873	11,846
Corporate Eliminations	(62)	(31)	(54)	(47)	(194)
Total Revenue	\$3,070	\$2,977	\$2,779	\$2,826	\$11,652
		Three Mont (Unauc			Twelve Months Ended
2004	March 31,			Dec. 31,	
2004 Risk and Insurance Services	March 31,	(Unaud	dited)	Dec. 31,	Months Ended
Risk and Insurance Services Insurance Services	\$1,478	(Unauc June 30, \$1,365	Sept. 30, \$1,127	\$1,196	Months Ended Dec. 31, \$ 5,166
Risk and Insurance Services Insurance Services Reinsurance Services	\$1,478 283	(Unaud June 30, \$1,365 211	Sept. 30, \$1,127 209	\$1,196 156	Months Ended Dec. 31, \$ 5,166 859
Risk and Insurance Services Insurance Services Reinsurance Services Risk Capital Holdings	\$1,478 283 37	(Unaud June 30, \$1,365 211 40	Sept. 30, \$1,127 209 45	\$1,196 156 58	Months Ended Dec. 31, \$ 5,166 859 180
Risk and Insurance Services Insurance Services Reinsurance Services	\$1,478 283	(Unaud June 30, \$1,365 211	Sept. 30, \$1,127 209	\$1,196 156	Months Ended Dec. 31, \$ 5,166 859
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Consolidated Statements of Income:		Twelve Months Ended			
2005	March 31,	June 30,	Sept. 30,	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,
Operating Income (Loss):					
Risk and Insurance Services	\$ 137	\$ 86	\$ 20	\$ 62	\$ 305
Risk Consulting & Technology	37	36	36	15	124
Consulting	110	130	117	94	451
Investment Management	50	71	83	59	263
Corporate	(73)_	(30)	(69)	(115)	(287)
	261	293_	187_	115_	856
Interest Income	9	11	13	14	47
Interest Expense	(69)	(73)	(111)_	(79)	(332)
Income Before Income Taxes and					
Minority Interest, Net of Tax	201	231	89	50	571
Income Taxes	70	69	24	29	192
Minority Interest Expense, Net of Tax	2	2	2	4	10
Income From Continuing Operations	129	160	63	17	369
Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax	5	7_	5_	18_	35
Net Income	\$ 134	\$ 167	\$ 68	\$ 35	\$ 404
Basic Income Per Share — Continuing Operations	\$0.24	\$0.30	\$0.12	\$0.03	\$0.69
Diluted Income Per Share — Continuing Operations	\$0.24	\$0.30	\$0.11	\$0.03	\$0.67

		Twelve Months Ended			
2004	March 31,	<u>June 30,</u>	Sept. 30,	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,
Operating Income (Loss):					
Risk and Insurance Services	\$ 600	\$ 418	\$ (63)	\$ (871)	\$ 84
Risk Consulting & Technology	_	_	26	22	48
Consulting	116	138	125	30	409
Investment Management	(26)	99	56	(31)	98
Corporate	72	(36)	(33)	(42)	(39)
	762	619	111_	(892)	600
Interest Income	5	4	6	6	21
Interest Expense	(50)	(48)	(55)	(66)	(219)
Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes and					
Minority Interest, Net of Tax	717	575	62	(952)	402
Income Taxes	278	188	45	(271)	240
Minority Interest Expense, Net of Tax		3	3	2	8
Income (Loss) From Continuing Operations	439	384	14	(683)	154
Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax	7	5_	7	3	22
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 446	\$ 389	\$ 21	\$ (680)	\$ 176
Basic Income (Loss) Per Share —					
Continuing Operations	\$0.84	\$0.74	\$0.03	\$(1.29)	\$0.29
Diluted Income (Loss) Per Share — Continuing Operations	\$0.82	\$0.72	\$0.03	\$(1.29)	\$0.29
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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income, and of cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2005, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As disclosed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123(R), "Share-Based Payment," effective July 1, 2005.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005, based on the criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 27, 2006 expressed an unqualified opinion on management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting and an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

New York, New York February 27, 2006

Mitte + Touch, LLP

MANAGEMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The management of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. MMC's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

MMC's internal control over financial reporting included those policies and procedures relating to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of MMC; the recording of all necessary transactions to permit the preparation of MMC's consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; the proper authorization of receipts and expenditures in accordance with authorizations of MMC's management and directors; and the prevention or timely detection of the unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets that could have a material effect on MMC's consolidated financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management evaluated the effectiveness of MMC's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005. In making this evaluation, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in Internal Control — Integrated Framework. Based on its evaluation, management determined that MMC maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005.

Deloitte & Touche LLP, the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm that audited and reported on MMC's consolidated financial statements included in this annual report, also issued an attestation report on management's evaluation of the effectiveness of MMC's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005.

Michael G. Cherkasky President and Chief Executive Officer

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February 27, 2006

Sandra S. Wijnberg Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer February 27, 2006

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.:

We have audited management's assessment, included in the accompanying Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, that Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assessment and an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company's board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, management's assessment that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2005, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 of the Company and our report dated February 27, 2006 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and included an explanatory paragraph relating to the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 123(R), "Share-Based Payment."

New York, New York February 27, 2006

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Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
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2005:	(III IIIIII)	one or denare, ex	toopt per onare n	gurooy
Revenue	\$3,070	\$2,977	\$2,779	\$2,826
Operating income ^(a)	\$ 261	\$ 293	\$ 187	\$ 115
Income from continuing operations	\$ 129	\$ 160	\$ 63	\$ 17
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 5	\$ 7	\$ 5	\$ 18
Net income	\$ 134	\$ 167	\$ 68	\$ 35
Basic Per Share Data:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.03
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.03
Net income	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.06
Diluted Per Share Data:(a)				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.03
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.03
Net income	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.06
Dividends Paid Per Share	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.17
2004:				
Revenue	\$3,104	\$2,932	\$2,845	\$2,880
Operating income (loss)	\$ 762	\$ 619	\$ 111	\$ (892)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 439	\$ 384	\$ 14	\$ (683)
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 7	\$ 5	\$ 7	\$ 3
Net income (loss)	\$ 446	\$ 389	\$ 21	\$ (680)
Basic Per Share Data:				
Income (loss) from continuing				
operations	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.03	\$ (1.29)
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ —
Net income (loss)	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.04	\$ (1.29)
Diluted Per Share Data:				
Income (loss) from continuing		.		* (4.00)
operations	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.03	\$ (1.29)
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01	\$ —
Net income (loss)	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.04	\$ (1.29)
Dividends Paid Per Share	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.34

⁽a) Results in the third quarter of 2005 include a \$6 million pre-tax adjustment to reflect the reclassification of certain Putnam option awards from liability awards to equity awards upon implementation of FSP 123(R)-4.

As of February 20, 2006, there were 10,787 stockholders of record.

Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. and Subsidiaries FIVE-YEAR STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

For the Years Ended December 31, (In millions except per share figures) ^(c)		2005		2004		2003		2002		2001	Compound Growth Rate 2000–2005
Revenue: Service Revenue Investment Income (Loss)	\$1	1,469 183	\$1	11,561 200	\$1	1,100 100	\$1	0,039 67	\$	9,735 (142)	3% 19%
Total Revenue	1	1,652	1	11,761	1	1,200	1	0,106		9,593	3%
Expenses:		,				,		-,			
Compensation and Benefits		6,945		6,706		5,710		5,025		4,729	8%
Other Operating Expenses		3,811		3,486	,	3,032		2,845		3,125	4%
Regulatory and Other Settlements		40	_	969		10		7 070		7.054	
Total Expenses		0,796 856 ^(a)		11,161 600 ^(a)		8,752		7,870		7,854	6%
Operating Income Interest Income		856 ^(a)		21	ï	2,448 24		2,236 19		1,739 ^(b)	(17)%
Interest Expense		(332)		(219)		(185)		(160)		(196)	
Income Before Income Taxes and		, ,		,		/ /		, ,		,	
Minority Interest		571		402		2,287		2,095		1,566	(22)%
Income Taxes		192		240		751		731		591	
Minority Interest, Net of Tax		10		8		20		18		13	4
Income From Continuing Operations		369		154		1,516		1,346		962	(21)%
Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax		35		22		24		19		12	31%
Net Income	\$	404	\$	176	\$	1,540	\$	1,365	\$	974	(19)%
Basic Income Per Share Information: Income From Continuing Operations Income From Discontinued Operations Net Income Average Number of Shares Outstanding	\$ \$ \$	0.69 0.06 0.75 538	\$ \$ \$	0.29 0.04 0.33 526	\$ \$ \$	2.85 0.04 2.89 533	\$ \$ \$	2.49 0.03 2.52 541	\$ \$ \$	1.75 0.02 1.77 550	(20)% 25% (19)%
Diluted Income Per Share Information: Income From Continuing Operations Income From Discontinued Operations Net Income Average Number of Shares Outstanding	\$ \$	0.67 0.07 0.74 543	\$ \$ \$	0.29 0.04 0.33 535	\$ \$ \$	2.77 0.04 2.81 548	\$ \$ \$	2.42 0.03 2.45 557	\$ \$ \$	1.67 0.03 1.70 572	(20)% 28% (18)%
Dividends Paid Per Share	\$	0.68	\$	1.30	\$	1.18	\$	1.09	\$	1.03	(6)%
Return on Average Stockholders' Equity		8%		3%		29%		27%		19%	
Year-end Financial Position: Working capital Total assets Long-term debt Stockholders' equity Total shares outstanding (excluding treasury shares) Other Information: Number of employees Stock price ranges — U.S. exchanges — High	\$ \$ 5	911 7,892 5,044 5,360 546 4,900 34.25 26.67	\$ \$	256 18,498 4,691 5,056 527 63,900 49.69 22.75	\$ 6 \$	189 5,053 2,910 5,451 527 0,400 54.97 38.27	\$ \$ \$	(199) 3,855 2,891 5,018 538 9,400 57.30 34.61	\$ \$1 \$ \$	(622) 3,769 2,334 5,173 548 67,800 59.03 39.70	

⁽a) Includes restructuring costs of \$317 million and \$337 million in 2005 and 2004, respectively.

See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for discussion of significant items affecting the results of operations in 2005 and 2004.

⁽b) Includes charges related to September 11 and restructuring costs of \$396 million.

⁽c) Certain balances have been reclassified to conform with current presentation. See Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

INFORMATION CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report contains "forward-looking statements," as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements, which use words like "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," "project," "should" and similar terms, express management's current views concerning future events or results. For example, we may use forward-looking statements when addressing topics such as: future actions by our management or regulators; the outcome of contingencies; changes in our business strategy; changes in our business practices and methods of generating revenue; the development and performance of our services and products; market and industry conditions, including competitive and pricing trends; changes in the composition or level of MMC's revenues; our cost structure; the impact of acquisitions and dispositions; and MMC's cash flow and liquidity.

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:

- the economic and reputational impact of: litigation and regulatory proceedings brought by federal and state regulators and law enforcement authorities concerning our insurance and reinsurance brokerage operations and our investment management operations (including the complaint filed in October 2004 by the New York Attorney General's office relating to market service agreements and other matters, and proceedings relating to market-timing matters at Putnam); and class actions, derivative actions and individual suits filed by policyholders and shareholders in connection with the foregoing;
- the extent to which we are able to replace the revenues we previously derived from contingent commissions, which we eliminated in late 2004;
- our ability to retain existing clients and attract new business, particularly in our Risk and Insurance Services segment, and our ability to continue employment of key revenue producers and managers;
- period-to-period revenue fluctuations relating to the net effect of new and lost business production and the timing of policy inception dates;
- the impact on our commission revenues of changes in the availability of, and the premiums carriers charge for, insurance and reinsurance products, including the degree and timing of the impact on reinsurance premium rates of 2005 hurricanes;
- the actual and relative investment performance of Putnam's mutual funds and institutional and other advisory accounts, and the extent to which Putnam reverses its recent net redemption experience, increases assets under management and maintains management and administrative fees at historical levels;
- our ability to implement our restructuring initiatives and otherwise reduce expenses;
- the impact of competition, including with respect to pricing and the emergence of new competitors;
- the impact of increasing focus by regulators, clients and others on potential conflicts of interest;
- changes in the value of MMC's investments in individual companies and investment funds;
- our ability to make strategic acquisitions and to integrate, and realize expected synergies, savings or strategic benefits from, acquired businesses;
- our ability to meet our financing needs by generating cash from operations and accessing external financing sources, including the potential impact of rating agency actions on our cost of financing or ability to borrow;
- the impact on our operating results of foreign exchange fluctuations; and
- changes in the tax or accounting treatment of our operations, and the impact of other legislation and regulation in the jurisdictions in which we operate.

Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made, and MMC undertakes no obligation to update any such statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it is made. Further information concerning MMC and its businesses, including information about factors that could materially affect our results of operations and financial position, is contained in MMC's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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 $^{^{}st}$ Robert F. Erburu will retire at the 2006 MMC annual meeting of shareholders.

^{**} M. Michele Burns will become chief financial officer of MMC no later than March 31, 2006.

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SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Annual Meeting

The 2006 annual meeting of shareholders will be held at 10 a.m., Thursday, May 18, in the 2nd floor auditorium of the McGraw-Hill Building, 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York City.

Financial and Investor Information

Shareholders and prospective investors inquiring about reinvestment and payment of dividends, consolidation of accounts, and stock certificate holdings should contact:

The Bank of New York Shareholder Relations Department P.O. Box 11258 Church Street Station New York, NY 10286 Telephone: (800) 457-8968 (610) 382-7833

The Bank of New York's website: www.stockbny.com E-mail: shareowners@bankofny.com

Requests for and inquiries about stock certificate transfers and address changes should be directed to:

The Bank of New York
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For these services, shareholders in the United Kingdom and Europe should contact:

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Copies of MMC's annual reports and Forms 10-K and 10-Q are available on the MMC website. These documents also may be requested by contacting:

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Stock Listings

MMC's common stock (ticker symbol: MMC) is listed on the New York, Chicago, Pacific, and London stock exchanges.

Officer Certifications

The company has filed the certifications required under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 as Exhibit 31 to MMC's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. In 2005, after our annual meeting of shareholders, the company filed with the New York Stock Exchange the CEO certification regarding its compliance with the NYSE corporate governance listing standards as required by NYSE Rule 303A.12(a).

Complaints and Concerns Procedures

To report any issue relating to the accounting, internal accounting controls, or auditing practices of Marsh & McLennan Companies (including its subsidiaries and affiliates), you may contact the company by mail or telephone. To communicate with the company's independent directors, you may telephone or write to the chair, Directors and Governance Committee of the MMC Board of Directors. You may review the company's procedures for handling complaints and concerns of employees and other interested parties at www.mmc.com.

By mail: Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. P.O. Box 4974 New York, NY 10185-4974

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