### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 13, 2018 (November 9, 2018)

#### MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Bermuda** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**001-34042** (Commission File Number)

98-0570192 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

#### 94 Pitts Bay Road, Pembroke HM08, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

#### (441) 298-4900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On November 9, 2018, Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company") signed an agreement ("Enstar Master Agreement") with Enstar Group Limited ("Enstar"), pursuant to which, an Enstar subsidiary would enter into a retrocession agreement to effect a loss portfolio transfer in which the Enstar subsidiary would assume all of the liabilities for loss reserves as of June 30, 2018 associated with the quota share reinsurance agreements that Maiden Reinsurance Ltd. ("Maiden Bermuda") has with AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. or its subsidiaries ("AmTrust"). Enstar will assume \$2.675 billion of net loss and loss adjustment expense reserves upon closing, subject to adjustment for paid losses since June 30, 2018. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and other closing conditions. When closed, the impact of the Enstar Master Agreement is not expected to have a material negative effect on the book value of the Company reported on November 9, 2018 as the consideration for the transaction approximates the reserves being transferred. The foregoing description of the transaction and the Master Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto.

Both of the Company's current quota share reinsurance contracts with AmTrust remain in-force. As previously announced by the Company on August 8, 2018, the written notice date for renewal of the Quota Share Reinsurance Agreement between Maiden Bermuda and AmTrust International Insurance, Ltd., a subsidiary of AmTrust, has been extended until January 31, 2019.

A copy of the press release is hereby filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 99.1.

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 9, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 and in the accompanying exhibit shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit

#### **Exhibit**

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
10.1*	Master Agreement dated as of November 9, 2018, by and among Maiden Holdings, Ltd., Maiden Reinsurance Ltd. and Enstar Group Limited.
99.1	Press Release of Maiden Holdings, Ltd., dated November 9, 2018

<sup>\*</sup> Schedules and Exhibits have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K. The Registrant hereby agrees to supplementally furnish to the SEC upon request any omitted schedule or exhibit to the Master Agreement.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 9, 2018 MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Denis M. Butkovic

Denis M. Butkovic

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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#### PRESS RELEASE

#### Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Announces Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Company enters loss portfolio transfer for AmTrust loss reserves

#### **Discontinued Operations**

As part of its strategic review announced earlier in 2018, during the third quarter of 2018, the Company made the strategic decision to divest its U.S. reinsurance treaty operations. Except as explicitly described as held for sale or as discontinued operations, and unless otherwise noted, all discussions and amounts presented herein relate to the Company's continuing operations except for net loss, net loss attributable to Maiden and net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders.

#### **Highlights for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018**

- Net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$308.8 million, or \$3.72 per diluted common share, compared with a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$63.6 million, or \$0.74 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2017;
- Non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> of \$235.1 million, or \$2.83 per diluted common share, compared with non-GAAP operating loss of \$54.2 million, or \$0.63 per diluted common share, in the third quarter of 2017;
- Higher adverse prior year loss development of \$210.4 million in the AmTrust Reinsurance segment compared to \$61.1 million of adverse prior year loss development for the same period in 2017;
- Higher net premiums earned in both operating segments totaled \$520.1 million in the aggregate compared to \$457.3 million of net premiums earned in the same period in 2017;
- Combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> of 150.7% compared to 115.6% in the third quarter of 2017;
- The announced sale of the U.S. reinsurance treaty operations resulted in an impairment loss of \$74.2 million as the Company wrote off the remaining goodwill and intangible assets which is presented in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income as part of the loss from discontinued operations; and
- Book value per common share<sup>(1)</sup> was \$3.71 at September 30, 2018, which includes a loss of \$1.40 per share from Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income ("AOCI"), compared to book value per common share of \$7.71 at June 30, 2018.

#### **Highlights for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018**

- Net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$301.0 million, or \$3.62 per diluted common share, compared with a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$65.5 million, or \$0.76 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2017;
- Non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> of \$256.4 million, or \$3.09 per diluted common share, compared with non-GAAP operating loss of \$39.9 million, or \$0.46 per diluted common share, in the first nine months of 2017;
- Higher adverse prior year loss development for the AmTrust Reinsurance segment of \$247.3 million compared to \$100.9 million for the same period in 2017;
- Higher net premiums earned in both operating segments totaled \$1.54 billion in the aggregate compared to \$1.51 billion of net premiums earned in the same period in 2017; and
- Combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> of 120.7% compared to 106.3% in the first nine months of 2017.

PEMBROKE, Bermuda, November 9, 2018 - Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (NASDAQ: MHLD) ("Maiden" or the "Company") today reported third quarter 2018 net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$308.8 million or \$3.72 per diluted common share compared to a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$63.6 million or \$0.74 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2017. The non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> was \$235.1 million, or \$2.83 per diluted common share compared with a non-GAAP operating loss of \$54.2 million, or \$0.63 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2017.

#### **Loss Portfolio Transfer**

The Company also announced that it has signed an agreement with Enstar Group Limited ("Enstar") by which one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries will enter into a retrocession agreement to effect a loss portfolio transfer in which the Enstar entity would assume loss reserves of approximately \$2.675 billion associated with quota share reinsurance contracts that Maiden's wholly-owned subsidiary, Maiden Reinsurance Ltd., ("Maiden Bermuda") has with AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. or its subsidiaries ("AmTrust"). The retrocession will apply to losses arising and/or claims made on or prior to June 30, 2018, and loss reserves assumed will be subject to adjustment for paid losses since such date. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and other closing conditions.

Both of the Company's current quota share reinsurance contracts with AmTrust remain in-force. As previously disclosed, the Company and AmTrust have mutually agreed to extend the notice period of non-renewal for the current Master Agreement until January 31, 2019.

Commenting on the Company's results and announced transaction with Enstar, Maiden's President and Chief Executive Officer, Lawrence F. Metz said, "Since late August, we have witnessed significant progress in the execution of the Company's strategic review and our announcement today with Enstar materially advances our work and significantly strengthens our financial position. During that time, we announced the sale of Maiden Reinsurance North America, Inc. to Enstar for net proceeds of \$307.5 million subject to closing adjustments, executed a Renewal Rights Agreement with Transatlantic Reinsurance Company for net proceeds of \$7.5 million and subject to further increases, and sold our U.S. casualty facultative reinsurance team to Sompo Group. While there is still work to do, we believe that much has been accomplished, and we remain committed to completing our strategic review process and to taking the actions necessary to further enhance value to all our shareholders."

Patrick J. Haveron, Maiden's Chief Financial and Operating Officer added, "During the third quarter, we also took the opportunity to materially strengthen our carried loss reserves and position Maiden for profitable future results. Our announcement today with Enstar brings additional certainty and finality to the steps we have taken. Upon completion of all of the strategic transactions announced since August, Maiden's capital position will be dramatically stronger. These measures will afford us significant flexibility to manage our capital to further increase shareholder value and combined with the significant and ongoing expense reduction implemented in the third quarter, we anticipate an improved outlook for Maiden as 2018 heads to its final quarter and into 2019."

#### Consolidated Results for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018

In the third quarter of 2018, gross premiums written increased to \$484.5 million from \$443.0 million in the third quarter of 2017. Net premiums written totaled \$482.8 million in the third quarter of 2018, an increase of 11.6% compared to \$432.7 million in the third quarter of 2017. Net premiums earned were \$520.1 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$457.3 million in the third quarter of 2017, representing an increase of 13.7%.

In the third quarter of 2018, net loss and loss adjustment expenses increased to \$600.3 million compared to \$370.8 million in the third quarter of 2017 due primarily to higher adverse prior year loss development for the AmTrust Reinsurance segment which was \$210.4 million for the third quarter of 2018. The loss ratio<sup>(6)</sup> in the third quarter of 2018 was 115.0% compared to 80.6% reported in the third quarter of 2017.

Commission and other acquisition expenses increased to \$167.6 million in the third quarter of 2018, compared to \$145.4 million in the third quarter of 2017 resulting in commission and other acquisition expense ratios of 32.1% and 31.6%, respectively. General and administrative expenses for the third quarter of 2018 totaled \$18.9 million compared to \$15.4 million in the third quarter of 2017 primarily due to increases in compensation benefits paid, greater corporate insurance costs incurred and higher technology-related expenses. The general and administrative expense ratio<sup>(8)</sup> in the third quarter of 2018 increased to 3.6% compared to 3.4% in the third quarter of 2017, while the expense ratio<sup>(9)</sup> was 35.7% in the third quarter of 2018 compared with 35.0% in the same quarter last year.

The combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> for the third quarter of 2018 totaled 150.7% compared with 115.6% in the third quarter of 2017.

Net investment income increased by 11.2% in the quarter to \$34.4 million from \$31.0 million in the same period last year. As of September 30, 2018, the average yield on the fixed income portfolio including discontinued operations was 3.17% while the average duration of investable assets was 4.3 years.

#### Reportable Segments

As a result of the strategic decision to divest all of the Company's U.S. treaty reinsurance operations, the Company has revised the composition of its reportable segments to include: (i) Diversified Reinsurance which consists of a portfolio of property and casualty reinsurance focusing on regional and specialty property and casualty insurance companies located primarily in Europe;

and (ii) AmTrust Reinsurance which includes all business ceded to our wholly owned subsidiary, Maiden Bermuda, from AmTrust and its subsidiaries (primarily the AmTrust Quota Share and the European Hospital Liability Quota Share). In addition to these reportable segments, the results of operations of the former National General Holdings Corporation Quota Share segment is included in the "Other" category. All prior periods presented have been reclassified to conform to this new presentation.

(\$ in thousands)	Diversified Reinsurance	AmTrust Reinsurance	Total
Total assets - reportable segments	180,676	4,297,992	4,478,668
Corporate assets	_	_	442,347
Assets held for sale	_	_	1,615,486
Total Assets	180,676	4,297,992	6,536,501

#### **Diversified Reinsurance Segment**

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(\$ in thousands)		2018	2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$	31,699	\$ 22,982	37.9 %
Net premiums written	\$	31,291	\$ 22,484	39.2 %
Net premiums earned	\$	28,784	\$ 20,925	37.6 %

Underwriting Ratios			% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>	64.5%	59.7%	4.8
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	29.2%	28.6%	0.6
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>	13.9%	17.8%	(3.9)
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>	43.1%	46.4%	(3.3)
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>	107.6%	106.1%	1.5

Gross premiums written and net premiums written increased by 37.9% and 39.2%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2018 primarily due to new account growth and expansion of client relationships in our European capital solutions business and growth in German auto programs. Net premiums earned increased by 37.6% in the third quarter of 2018 driven by new client development and favorable growth in the German auto program. The net loss and LAE ratio increased by 4.8 points compared to the same period in 2017 due to higher initial loss ratios on current year premiums earned during the period partially offset by lower adverse prior year loss development which was \$0.7 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$1.1 million for the same period in 2017. The segment's combined ratio increased by 1.5 points to 107.6% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 106.1% in the same period last year due primarily to higher initial loss ratios on current year premiums earned during the period partially offset by lower adverse prior year loss development.

#### **AmTrust Reinsurance Segment**

	 For the Three Month		
(\$ in thousands)	2018	2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$ 452,795	\$ 420,019	7.8%
Net premiums written	\$ 451,515	\$ 410,193	10.1%
Net premiums earned	\$ 491,293	\$ 436,353	12.6%

Underwriting Ratios			% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>	117.9%	81.4%	36.5
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	32.3%	31.7%	0.6
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>	0.2%	0.2%	_
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>	32.5%	31.9%	0.6
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>	150.4%	113.3%	37.1

Gross premiums written and net premiums written increased 7.8% and 10.1%, respectively, during the third quarter of 2018 generated by growth in the Specialty lines of business partially offset by reductions in Small Commercial Business. Net premiums earned in the segment increased by 12.6% compared to the same period in 2017 mainly due to the growth in net premiums written in the Specialty lines of the AmTrust quota share. The Net loss and LAE ratio increased by 36.5 points due to higher adverse prior year loss development which was \$210.4 million for the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$61.1 million for the same period in 2017. The 2018 development was largely from Workers Compensation, which represented nearly half of the adverse development, and was primarily driven by accident years 2014 to 2017, and to a lesser extent, development in European hospital liability, Commercial Auto and General Liability. This compares to \$61.1 million of adverse development for the third quarter of 2017 primarily due to Worker's Compensation, General liability as well as Commercial Auto liability lines for both Specialty Programs and Small Commercial Business where elevated loss activity had been observed. The segment combined ratio increased by 37.1 points to 150.4% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 113.3% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to higher adverse prior year loss development and higher initial loss ratios for current year premiums earned as well as elevated actual current year activity in the Specialty Risk and Extended Warranty lines.

#### **Consolidated Results for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018**

The net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders was \$301.0 million or \$3.62 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2018 compared to a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$65.5 million or \$0.76 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2017. The non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> for the first nine months of 2018 was \$256.4 million, or \$3.09 per diluted common share compared with a non-GAAP operating loss of \$39.9 million, or \$0.46 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2017.

For the first nine months of 2018, gross premiums written were \$1.63 billion compared to \$1.65 billion for the first nine months of 2017. Net premiums written totaled \$1.63 billion in the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$1.60 billion for the same period in 2017. Net premiums earned were \$1.54 billion in the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$1.51 billion for the same period in 2017.

Net loss and loss adjustment expenses of \$1.32 billion compared to \$1.09 billion for the first nine months of 2017. The loss ratio(6) for the first nine months of 2018 was 85.5% compared to 71.7% reported for the same period in 2017.

Commission and other acquisition expenses were \$497.0 million for the first nine months of 2018, compared to \$487.8 million for the first nine months of 2017 resulting in a commission and other acquisition expense ratio of 32.1% which was unchanged from the prior year. General and administrative expenses for the first nine months of 2018 totaled \$48.3 million compared with \$38.2 million in the first nine months of 2017 primarily due to higher compensation benefits paid, higher audit and legal fees and higher technology-related expenses. The general and administrative expense ratio(8) in the first nine months of 2018 was 3.1% compared to 2.5% in the same period in 2017, while the expense ratio(9) was 35.2% in the first nine months of 2018 compared with 34.6% in the same period last year.

The combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> for the first nine months of 2018 totaled 120.7% compared with 106.3% in the first nine months of 2017.

Net investment income was \$101.5 million during the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$91.6 million in the first nine months of 2017.

#### **Diversified Reinsurance Segment**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(\$ in thousands)		2018		Change in (%)	
Gross premiums written	\$	111,139	\$	75,085	48.0 %
Net premiums written	\$	109,279	\$	73,434	48.8 %
Net premiums earned	\$	82,838	\$	61,626	34.4 %

Underwriting Ratios			% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>	57.3%	59.8%	(2.5)
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	31.3%	31.7%	(0.4)
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>	14.7%	17.0%	(2.3)
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>	46.0%	48.7%	(2.7)
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>	103.3%	108.5%	(5.2)

Gross premiums written and net premiums written increased by 48.0% and 48.8%, respectively, for the first nine months due to new account growth and expansion of the German Auto program and other client relationships in our European capital solutions business as well as new business development in the Life and General lines. Net premiums earned increased by 34.4% largely driven by new client development and favorable growth in German auto programs. The segment's net loss and LAE ratio decreased by 2.5 points due to lower adverse prior year loss development of \$1.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to \$8.5 million for the same period in 2017. The 2018 development was due to adverse facultative reinsurance run-off

partially offset by favorable development in International Auto. The development in 2017 was primarily due to adverse development in facultative reinsurance run-off lines as well as claims activity in International auto programs. The segment's combined ratio decreased by 5.2 points to 103.3% for the first nine months of 2018 compared to 108.5% in 2017 primarily due to lower net adverse development compared to the same period in 2017.

#### **AmTrust Reinsurance Segment**

(\$ in thousands)		2018	2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$	1,518,208	\$ 1,575,677	(3.6)%
Net premiums written	\$	1,517,206	\$ 1,529,980	(0.8)%
Net premiums earned	\$	1,458,440	\$ 1,450,811	0.5 %

Underwriting Ratios			% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>	87.1%	72.2%	14.9
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	32.1%	32.1%	_
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>	0.2%	0.1%	0.1
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>	32.3%	32.2%	0.1
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>	119.4%	104.4%	15.0

Gross premiums written and net premiums written decreased by 3.6% and 0.8%, respectively, during the first nine months of 2018 which mainly reflects reductions in the Small Commercial Business lines combined with growth in Specialty Program, Specialty Risk and Extended Warranty. Net premiums earned in the segment increased by 0.5% compared to the same period in 2017 mainly due to growth in net premiums written on the Specialty lines within the AmTrust quota share. The Net loss and LAE ratio increased by 14.9 points due higher adverse prior year loss development of \$247.3 million for the first nine months of 2018 largely from Workers Compensation and European Hospital liability, with a smaller contribution from General and Commercial Auto liability. This compares to adverse prior year loss development of \$100.9 million for the first nine months of 2017 which was primarily related to General liability as well as Auto liability and Workers Compensation lines for both Specialty Programs and Small Commercial Business. The segment combined ratio increased by 15.0 points to 119.4% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 104.4% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to a higher amount of adverse prior year loss development.

#### **Other Financial Matters**

- Total assets were \$6.5 billion at September 30, 2018 compared to \$6.7 billion at June 30, 2018. Shareholders' equity was \$772.6 million at September 30, 2018 compared to \$1.1 billion at June 30, 2018.
- Book value per common share<sup>(1)</sup> was \$3.71 at September 30, 2018 compared to \$7.71 at June 30, 2018. In the third quarter of 2018, the Company recognized unrealized losses in its fixed income investment portfolio of \$23.9 million, resulting in a \$0.29 decrease in book value per share, and total AOCI of \$116.4 million at September 30, 2018. Book value per common share excluding total AOCI was \$5.11 at September 30, 2018 compared to \$9.08 at December 31, 2017.

(1)(11) Please see the Non-GAAP Financial Measures table for additional information on these non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliation of these measures to GAAP measures.

(6)(7)(8)(9)(10) Loss ratio, commission and other acquisition expense ratio, general and administrative expense ratio, expense ratio and combined ratio are non-GAAP operating metrics. Please see the additional information on these measures under Non-GAAP Financial Measures tables.

#### About Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company formed in 2007. Through its subsidiaries, which are each rated A- (excellent) by A.M. Best, the Company is focused on providing non-catastrophic, customized reinsurance products and services to small and mid-size insurance companies in the United States and Europe. As of September 30, 2018, Maiden had \$6.5 billion in assets and shareholders' equity of \$772.6 million.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

This release contains "forward-looking statements" which are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements are based on the Company's current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on the Company. There can be no assurance that actual developments will be those anticipated by the Company. Actual results may differ materially from those projected as a result of significant risks and uncertainties, including non-receipt of the expected payments, changes in interest rates, effect of the performance of financial markets on investment income and fair values of investments, developments of claims and the effect on loss reserves, accuracy in projecting loss reserves, the impact of competition and pricing environments, changes in the demand for the Company's products, the effect of general economic conditions and unusual frequency of storm activity, adverse state and federal legislation, regulations and regulatory investigations into industry practices, developments relating to existing agreements, heightened competition, changes in pricing environments, and changes in asset valuations. In addition, the Company may not be able to complete the proposed transaction with Enstar on the terms summarized above or other acceptable terms, or at all, due to a number of factors, including but not limited to failure to obtain governmental and regulatory approvals or to satisfy other closing conditions. Additional information about these risks and uncertainties, as well as others that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected is contained in Item 1A. Risk Factors in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 as updated in periodic filings with the SEC. However these factors should not be construed as exhaustive. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any f

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#### MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share data)

	So	eptember 30, 2018	Dec	ember 31, 2017
ASSETS				
Investments:				
Fixed maturities, available-for-sale, at fair value (amortized cost 2018: \$2,867,251; 2017: \$2,699,297)	\$	2,781,553	\$	2,707,516
Fixed maturities, held-to-maturity, at amortized cost (fair value 2018: \$1,019,741; 2017: \$1,125,626)		1,032,885		1,097,801
Other investments, at fair value		22,586		6,600
Total investments		3,837,024		3,811,917
Cash and cash equivalents		94,578		54,470
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		169,996		94,905
Accrued investment income		29,658		28,798
Reinsurance balances receivable, net		161,436		72,494
Loan to related party		167,975		167,975
Deferred commission and other acquisition expenses, net		419,265		380,204
Other assets		41,083		131,608
Assets held for sale		1,615,486		1,901,818
Total assets	\$	6,536,501	\$	6,644,189
LIABILITIES				
Reserve for loss and loss adjustment expenses	\$	2,851,685	\$	2,386,722
Unearned premiums		1,298,933		1,230,882
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		18,460		90,069
Senior notes - principal amount		262,500		262,500
Less: unamortized debt issuance costs		7,860		8,018
Senior notes, net		254,640		254,482
Liabilities held for sale		1,339,618		1,449,408
Total liabilities		5,763,336		5,411,563
Commitments and Contingencies				
EQUITY				
Preference shares		465,000		465,000
Common shares		879		877
Additional paid-in capital		749,214		748,113
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income		(116,369)		13,354
(Accumulated deficit) retained earnings		(294,656)		35,472
Treasury shares, at cost		(31,514)		(30,642)
Total Maiden Shareholders' Equity		772,554		1,232,174
Noncontrolling interest in subsidiaries		611		452
Total Equity		773,165		1,232,626
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$	6,536,501	\$	6,644,189
Book value per common share <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	3.71	\$	9.25
Common shares outstanding		82,942,737		82,974,895

## MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share data)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
		2018		2017	2018		2017
		(Una	udite	d)	(Unai	ıdited)	
Revenues:							
Gross premiums written	\$	484,494	\$	443,001	\$ 1,629,347	\$	1,650,762
Net premiums written	\$	482,806	\$	432,677	\$ 1,626,485	\$	1,603,414
Change in unearned premiums		37,271		24,601	(85,207)		(90,977)
Net premiums earned		520,077		457,278	 1,541,278		1,512,437
Other insurance revenue		1,870		2,488	7,629		7,816
Net investment income		34,419		30,950	101,548		91,597
Net realized (losses) gains on investment		(225)		5,859	(282)		8,316
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses		(479)		_	(479)		_
Total revenues		555,662		496,575	1,649,694		1,620,166
Expenses:							
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses		600,296		370,847	1,323,503		1,090,608
Commission and other acquisition expenses		167,618		145,352	497,026		487,771
General and administrative expenses		18,936		15,439	48,343		38,161
Total expenses		786,850		531,638	 1,868,872		1,616,540
Non-GAAP (loss) income from operations <sup>(2)</sup>		(231,188)		(35,063)	 (219,178)		3,626
Other expenses							
Interest and amortization expenses		(4,829)		(4,829)	(14,487)		(18,430)
Accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost				_			(2,809)
Foreign exchange (losses) gains		(552)		(3,550)	1,862		(12,193)
Total other expenses		(5,381)		(8,379)	 (12,625)		(33,432)
Loss before income taxes		(236,569)		(43,442)	 (231,803)		(29,806)
Less: income tax (benefit) expense		(7,437)		1,704	(930)		(1,978)
Net loss from continuing operations		(229,132)		(45,146)	(230,873)		(27,828)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax		(71,100)		(9,908)	(44,336)		(17,060)
Net loss		(300,232)		(55,054)	(275,209)		(44,888)
Add: net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interest		(62)		3	(180)		34
Net loss attributable to Maiden		(300,294)		(55,051)	(275,389)		(44,854)
Dividends on preference shares <sup>(3)</sup>		(8,545)		(8,545)	(25,636)		(20,611)
Net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders	\$	(308,839)	\$	(63,596)	\$ (301,025)	\$	(65,465)
Basic and diluted loss from continuing operations per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders $^{(15)}$	\$	(2.86)	\$	(0.62)	\$ (3.09)	\$	(0.56)
Basic and diluted loss from discontinued operations per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders <sup>(15)</sup>		(0.86)		(0.12)	(0.53)		(0.20)
Basic and diluted loss per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders <sup>(15)</sup>	\$	(3.72)	\$	(0.74)	\$ (3.62)	\$	(0.76)
Dividends declared per common share	\$	0.05	\$	0.15	\$ 0.35	\$	0.45
Annualized return on average common equity		(258.4)%		(25.3)%	(74.9)%		(8.7)%
Weighted average number of common shares - basic and diluted <sup>(15)</sup>		83,089,172		85,859,201	83,085,441		86,256,481

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2018	Diversi	fied Reinsurance	AmT	Trust Reinsurance	Other	Total
Gross premiums written	\$	31,699	\$	452,795	\$ 	\$ 484,494
Net premiums written	\$	31,291	\$	451,515	\$ _	\$ 482,806
Net premiums earned	\$	28,784	\$	491,293	\$ _	\$ 520,077
Other insurance revenue		1,870		_	_	1,870
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses ("loss and LAE")		(19,764)		(579,163)	(1,369)	(600,296)
Commission and other acquisition expenses		(8,961)		(158,657)	_	(167,618)
General and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>		(4,256)		(952)	_	(5,208)
Underwriting loss <sup>(5)</sup>	\$	(2,327)	\$	(247,479)	\$ (1,369)	(251,175)
Reconciliation to net loss from continuing operations						
Net investment income and realized losses on investment						34,194
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses						(479)
Interest and amortization expenses						(4,829)
Foreign exchange losses						(552)
Other general and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>						(13,728)
Income tax benefit						7,437
Net loss from continuing operations						\$ (229,132)
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		64.5%		117.9%		115.0%
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		29.2%		32.3%		32.1%
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		13.9%		0.2%		3.6%
Expense Ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		43.1%		32.5%		35.7%
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		107.6%		150.4%		150.7%

For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2017	Diversif	iversified Reinsurance AmTrust Reinsurance		rust Reinsurance	Other		Total	
Gross premiums written	\$	22,982	\$	420,019	\$		\$	443,001
Net premiums written	\$	22,484	\$	410,193	\$	_	\$	432,677
Net premiums earned	\$	20,925	\$	436,353	\$		\$	457,278
Other insurance revenue		2,488		_		_		2,488
Net loss and LAE		(13,979)		(355,030)		(1,838)		(370,847)
Commission and other acquisition expenses		(6,702)		(138,650)		_		(145,352)
General and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>		(4,158)		(771)		_		(4,929)
Underwriting loss <sup>(5)</sup>	\$	(1,426)	\$	(58,098)	\$	(1,838)		(61,362)
Reconciliation to net loss from continuing operations								
Net investment income and realized gains on investment								36,809
Interest and amortization expenses								(4,829)
Foreign exchange losses								(3,550)
Other general and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>								(10,510)
Income tax expense								(1,704)
Net loss from continuing operations							\$	(45,146)
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		59.7%		81.4%				80.6%
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		28.6%		31.7%				31.6%
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		17.8%		0.2%				3.4%
Expense Ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		46.4%		31.9%				35.0%
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		106.1%		113.3%				115.6%

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018	Divers	ified Reinsurance	Am	Trust Reinsurance	Other		Total
Gross premiums written	\$	111,139	\$	1,518,208	\$ 	\$	1,629,347
Net premiums written	\$	109,279	\$	1,517,206	\$ _	\$	1,626,485
Net premiums earned	\$	82,838	\$	1,458,440	\$ _	\$	1,541,278
Other insurance revenue		7,629		_	_		7,629
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses ("loss and LAE")		(51,828)		(1,270,306)	(1,369)		(1,323,503)
Commission and other acquisition expenses		(28,261)		(468,765)	_		(497,026)
General and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>		(13,330)		(2,954)	_		(16,284)
Underwriting loss <sup>(5)</sup>	\$	(2,952)	\$	(283,585)	\$ (1,369)	'	(287,906)
Reconciliation to net loss from continuing operations							
Net investment income and realized losses on investment							101,266
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses							(479)
Interest and amortization expenses							(14,487)
Foreign exchange gains							1,862
Other general and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>							(32,059)
Income tax benefit							930
Net loss from continuing operations						\$	(230,873)
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		57.3%		87.1%			85.5%
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		31.3%		32.1%			32.1%
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		14.7%		0.2%			3.1%
Expense Ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		46.0%		32.3%		-	35.2%
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		103.3%		119.4%			120.7%

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017	Diversi	fied Reinsurance	Am	Trust Reinsurance	Other	Total
Gross premiums written	\$	75,085	\$	1,575,677	\$ _	\$ 1,650,762
Net premiums written	\$	73,434	\$	1,529,980	\$ _	\$ 1,603,414
Net premiums earned	\$	61,626	\$	1,450,811	\$ _	\$ 1,512,437
Other insurance revenue		7,816		_	_	7,816
Net loss and LAE		(41,548)		(1,047,222)	(1,838)	(1,090,608)
Commission and other acquisition expenses		(21,982)		(465,789)	_	(487,771)
General and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>		(11,831)		(2,240)	_	(14,071)
Underwriting loss <sup>(5)</sup>	\$	(5,919)	\$	(64,440)	\$ (1,838)	(72,197)
Reconciliation to net loss from continuing operations						
Net investment income and realized gains on investment						99,913
Interest and amortization expenses						(18,430)
Accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost						(2,809)
Foreign exchange losses						(12,193)
Other general and administrative expenses <sup>(4)</sup>						(24,090)
Income tax expense						1,978
Net loss from continuing operations						\$ (27,828)
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		59.8%		72.2%		71.7%
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		31.7%		32.1%		32.1%
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		17.0%		0.1%		2.5%
Expense Ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		48.7%		32.2%		34.6%
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		108.5%		104.4%		106.3%

## MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD. NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (Unaudited) (In thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share data)

	I	For the Three Month	s Ende	d September 30,	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,					
		2018		2017		2018	2017			
Non-GAAP operating loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders $^{(11)}$	\$	(235,114)	\$	(54,159)	\$	(256,421)	\$	(39,881)		
Non-GAAP basic and diluted operating loss per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders <sup>(15)</sup>	\$	(2.83)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(3.09)	\$	(0.46)		
Annualized non-GAAP operating return on average common equity <sup>(12)</sup>		(196.7)%		(21.6)%		(63.8)%		(5.3)%		
Reconciliation:										
Net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders	\$	(308,839)	\$	(63,596)	\$	(301,025)	\$	(65,465)		
Add (subtract):										
Net realized losses (gains) on investment		225		(5,859)		282		(8,316)		
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses		479		_		479		_		
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		552		3,550		(1,862)		12,193		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax		71,100		9,908		44,336		17,060		
Divested NGHC Quota Share run-off		1,369		1,838		1,369		1,838		
Accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost		_		_		_		2,809		
Non-GAAP operating loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders $^{(11)}$	\$	(235,114)	\$	(54,159)	\$	(256,421)	\$	(39,881)		
Weighted average number of common shares - basic and diluted $^{(15)}$		83,089,172		85,859,201		83,085,441		86,256,481		
Reconciliation:										
Diluted loss per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	(3.72)	\$	(0.74)	\$	(3.62)	\$	(0.76)		
Add (subtract):										
Net realized losses (gains) on investment		_		(0.07)		_		(0.10)		
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses		0.01		_		0.01		_		
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		0.01		0.04		(0.03)		0.14		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax		0.85		0.12		0.53		0.20		
Divested NGHC Quota Share run-off		0.02		0.02		0.02		0.02		
Accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost		_		_		_		0.04		
Non-GAAP diluted operating loss per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	(2.83)	\$	(0.63)	\$	(3.09)	\$	(0.46)		
Reconciliation of net loss attributable to Maiden to non-GAAP (loss) income from operations:										
Net loss attributable to Maiden	\$	(300,294)	\$	(55,051)	\$	(275,389)	\$	(44,854)		
Add (subtract):										
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		552		3,550		(1,862)		12,193		
Interest and amortization expenses		4,829		4,829		14,487		18,430		
Accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost		<u> </u>		_		_		2,809		
Income tax (benefit) expense		(7,437)		1,704		(930)		(1,978)		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax		71,100		9,908		44,336		17,060		
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest		62		(3)		180		(34)		
Non-GAAP (loss) income from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	(231,188)	\$	(35,063)	\$	(219,178)	\$	3,626		

#### MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD. NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (Unaudited) (In thousands of U.S. dollars, except share and per share data)

	September 30, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Investable assets:				
Total investments	\$	3,837,024	\$	3,811,917
Cash and cash equivalents		94,578		54,470
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		169,996		94,905
Loan to related party		167,975		167,975
Total investable assets <sup>(13)</sup>	\$	4,269,573	\$	4,129,267
	Septe	mber 30, 2018	Dec	ember 31, 2017
Capital:				
Preference shares	\$	465,000	\$	465,000
Common shareholders' equity		307,554		767,174
Total Maiden shareholders' equity		772,554		1,232,174
2016 Senior Notes		110,000		110,000
2013 Senior Notes		152,500		152,500
Total capital resources <sup>(14)</sup>	\$	1,035,054	\$	1,494,674

- (1) Book value per common share is calculated using Maiden common shareholders' equity (shareholders' equity excluding the aggregate liquidation value of our preference shares) divided by the number of common shares outstanding.
- (2) Non-GAAP (loss) income from operations is a non-GAAP financial measure defined by the Company as net income (loss) attributable to Maiden excluding foreign exchange and other gains and losses, interest and amortization expenses, accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost, income tax (benefit) expense, loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax and net income or loss attributable to noncontrolling interest and should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss). The Company's management believes that non-GAAP (loss) income from operations is a useful measure of the Company's underlying earnings fundamentals based on its underwriting and investment income before financing costs. This (loss) income from operations enables readers of this information to more clearly understand the essential operating results of the Company's measure of non-GAAP (loss) income from operations may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.
- (3) Dividends on preference shares consist of \$3,094 and \$9,282 paid to Preference shares Series A for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, \$2,938 and \$8,816 paid to Preference shares Series C for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, \$2,513 paid to Preference shares Series D for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 and \$7,538 and \$2,513 paid to Preference shares Series D for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.
- 4) Underwriting related general and administrative expenses is a non-GAAP measure and includes expenses which are segregated for analytical purposes as a component of underwriting income.
- 5) Underwriting (loss) income is a non-GAAP measure and is calculated as net premiums earned plus other insurance revenue less net loss and LAE, commission and other acquisition expenses and general and administrative expenses directly related to underwriting activities. Management believes that this measure is important in evaluating the underwriting performance of the Company and its segments. This measure is also a useful tool to measure the profitability of the Company separately from the investment results and is also a widely used performance indicator in the insurance industry.
- (6) Calculated by dividing net loss and LAE by the sum of net premiums earned and other insurance revenue.
- (7) Calculated by dividing commission and other acquisition expenses by the sum of net premiums earned and other insurance revenue.
- (8) Calculated by dividing general and administrative expenses by the sum of net premiums earned and other insurance revenue.
- (9) Calculated by adding together the commission and other acquisition expense ratio and the general and administrative expense ratio.
- (10) Calculated by adding together the net loss and LAE ratio and the expense ratio.
- (11) Non-GAAP operating (loss) earnings is a non-GAAP financial measure defined by the Company as net (loss) income attributable to Maiden common shareholders excluding realized investment gains and losses, total other-than-temporary impairment losses, foreign exchange and other gains and losses, loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax, divested NGHC Quota Share run-off and accelerated amortization of senior note issuance cost and should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss). The Company's management believes that non-GAAP operating (loss) earnings is a useful indicator of trends in the Company's underlying operations. The Company's measure of non-GAAP operating (loss) earnings may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.
- (12) Non-GAAP operating return on average common equity is a non-GAAP financial measure. Management uses non-GAAP operating return on average common shareholders' equity as a measure of profitability that focuses on the return to Maiden common shareholders. It is calculated using non-GAAP operating (loss) earnings attributable to Maiden common shareholders divided by average Maiden common shareholders' equity.
- (13) Investable assets is the total of the Company's investments, cash and cash equivalents and loan to a related party.
- (14) Total capital resources is the sum of the Company's principal amount of debt and Maiden shareholders' equity.
- (15) During a period of loss, the basic weighted average common shares outstanding is used in the denominator of the diluted loss per common share computation as the effect of including potential dilutive shares would be anti-dilutive.

MASTER AGREEMENT

by and among

MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.,

MAIDEN REINSURANCE LTD.

and

**ENSTAR GROUP LIMITED** 

Dated as of November 9, 2018

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EXHIBIT A - Summary of Terms of Retrocession Agreement

EXHIBIT B - Summary of Terms of Trust Agreement

MASTER AGREEMENT
This MASTER AGREEMENT, dated as of November 9, 2018 (this " <u>Agreement</u> "), is made by and among Maiden Holdings, Ltd., a Bermuda company (" <u>Maiden</u> "), Maiden Reinsurance Ltd., a Bermuda insurance company (" <u>Maiden Insurance</u> "), and Enstar Group Limited, a Bermuda company (" <u>Enstar</u> "). Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the respective meanings set forth in <u>Section 1.1</u> .

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, certain insurance companies owned directly or indirectly by AmTrust Financial Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>AmTrust</u>"), (collectively, the "<u>Original Cedents</u>" and each, an "<u>Original Cedent</u>"), have issued the Reinsured Policies constituting the Subject Business; and

WHEREAS, Maiden Insurance has reinsured a quota share portion of certain risks and liabilities of the Original Cedents arising from the Reinsured Policies pursuant to the Existing Quota Share Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement pursuant to which, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, at the Closing, among other things:

- (a) A to-be-formed Cayman Islands insurance company owned by Enstar (the "Retrocessionaire") and Maiden Insurance will enter into a Retrocession Agreement containing the principal terms set forth on Exhibit A (the "Retrocession Agreement") pursuant to which Maiden Insurance will cede and the Retrocessionaire will reinsure 100% of the liability of Maiden Insurance, as reinsurer, under the Existing Quota Share Agreements for losses incurred on or prior to June 30, 2018, subject to the terms and conditions of the Retrocession Agreement;
- (b) The Retrocessionaire, Maiden Insurance and a trustee will enter into a trust agreement containing the principal terms set forth on <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a> (the "Trust Agreement") pursuant to which the trustee shall hold assets as security for the satisfaction of the obligations of the Retrocessionaire to Maiden Insurance under the Retrocession Agreement; and
- (c) Maiden and the Retrocessionaire will seek to amend the terms of the Existing Trust Agreements and the trust accounts created thereunder or under the Existing Quota Share Agreements to create sub-accounts with respect to the losses to be reinsured pursuant to the Retrocession Agreement and to grant Enstar and its Affiliates investment control over such sub-accounts, which will be managed pursuant to the Investment Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, Maiden, Maiden Insurance and Enstar (each individually, a "<u>Party</u>" and collectively, the "<u>Parties</u>") agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth below:

"Action" means any civil, criminal or administrative action, arbitration, suit, claim, litigation, examination or similar proceeding, in each case by or before a Governmental Authority or an arbitrator.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, another Person that, directly or indirectly, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such first Person, where "control," including the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control" means the possession, directly or

indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"<u>Applicable Law</u>" means any domestic or foreign, federal, state or local statute, law, ordinance or code, or any written rules or regulations, in each case applicable to any Party, and any Order, writ, injunction, directive, judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction applicable to any Party.

"Books and Records" means originals or copies of all records and all other data and information (in whatever form maintained) in the possession or control of Maiden, Maiden Insurance or their respective Affiliates to the extent relating to the Subject Business, including (i) administrative records, (ii) claim records, (iii) policy files, (iv) sales records, (v) files and records relating to Applicable Law, (vi) underwriting records and (vii) accounting records, but excluding (a) Tax Returns, (b) files, records, data and information with respect to employees benefit plan, (d) any materials or other information the disclosure or transfer of which would violate Applicable Law and (e) any internal drafts, opinions, valuations, correspondence or other materials prepared in connection with the negotiation, valuation and consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Burdensome Condition" means any condition sought or imposed by a Governmental Authority that would materially adversely affect the economic benefits reasonably expected to be derived by Enstar or any of its Affiliates under this Agreement, the Transaction Agreements or in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereunder or thereunder, taken as a whole.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which commercial banks in New York City or Bermuda are required or authorized by law to be closed.

"Deadline Date" means February 28, 2019.

"<u>Domicile SAP</u>" means, as to each Original Cedent, the statutory accounting principles prescribed by the Commissioner of Insurance (or other applicable designation) of the country, state or commonwealth in which a particular entity is domiciled.

"Encumbrance" means any pledge, security interest, mortgage, lien, attachment, right of first refusal or option, including any restriction on receipt of income or exercise of any other attribute of ownership, except such restrictions as may be contained in any insurance Applicable Law.

"Enstar Disclosure Schedule" means the disclosure schedule (including any attachments thereto) delivered by Enstar in connection with, and constituting a part of, this Agreement.

"Estimated Initial Trust Funding Amount" means Maiden Insurance's estimate of the Initial Trust Funding Amount, as set forth in the Closing Statement.

"Estimated Net Retrocession Premium" means an amount equal to the Estimated Retrocession Premium, minus the Estimated Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance.

"<u>Existing Trust Agreements</u>" means the various trust agreements establishing trust accounts supporting the obligations of Affiliates of AmTrust as the reinsurer under the Reinsured Policies.

"Existing AEL Quota Share Agreement" means that certain Quota Share Reinsurance Contract among AmTrust Europe Limited, AmTrust International Underwriters Limited and Maiden Insurance dated as of April 1, 2011, as amended.

- "Existing AII Quota Share Agreement" means that certain Amended and Restated Quota Share Reinsurance Agreement between AmTrust International Insurance, Ltd and Maiden Insurance dated as of July 1, 2017, as amended.
- "Existing Master Agreement" means that certain Master Agreement by and between AmTrust and Maiden dated as of July 3, 2007, as amended.
- "Existing Quota Share Agreements" means collectively the Existing AII Quota Share Agreement and the Existing AEL Quota Share Agreement.
- "Funds Withheld Account" means the account created pursuant to the Retrocession Agreement to which the Market Value of the assets held in the sub-accounts to be created under the Existing Trust Agreements with respect to the Retrocessionaire's quota share of the Subject Business, the Market Value of all assets held in the sub-accounts to be created in the trusts under the Existing Quota Share Agreements with respect to the Subject Business and all investment income thereon will be credited.
- "Governmental Authority" means any government, political subdivision, court, arbitrator, arbitration panel, mediator, mediator, mediator, mediator, commission, regulatory or administrative agency or other instrumentality thereof, whether federal, state, provincial, local or foreign and including any regulatory authority which may be partly or wholly autonomous.
- "Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance" means the Market Value of the assets in the sub-accounts to be created under the Existing Trust Agreements with respect to the Retrocessionaire's quota share of the Subject Business plus the Market Value of all assets held in the sub-accounts to be created in the trusts under the Existing Quota Share Agreements with respect to the Subject Business as of the Effective Time.
- "Initial Trust Funding Amount" means, as of the Closing Date, the net reserves of Maiden Insurance ceded under the Retrocession Agreement with respect to the Subject Business calculated in accordance with Domicile SAP, minus the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance.
- "Insurance Regulator" means, with respect to any jurisdiction, the Governmental Authority charged with the supervision of insurance companies in such jurisdiction.
- "<u>Investment Guidelines</u>" means investments permitted to be held by a Delaware domestic insurer in a credit for reinsurance trust.
  - "knowledge" of a Party means the actual knowledge of such Party's senior officers after reasonable inquiry.
- "<u>Maiden Disclosure Schedule</u>" means the disclosure schedule (including any attachments thereto) delivered by Maiden and Maiden Insurance in connection with, and constituting a part of, this Agreement.
- "Market Value" means, as of any time, (i) with respect to any assets other than cash, the amount at which such asset could be bought or sold in a current transaction between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale or (ii) with respect to cash, the dollar amount thereof.
- "<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means a material adverse effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Subject Business, taken as a whole, but excluding any such effect to the extent

resulting from, arising out of, or relating to: (i) general political, economic, or securities or financial market conditions (including changes in interest rates, changes in currency exchange rates, or changes in equity prices and corresponding changes in the value of the Subject Business); (ii) any occurrence or condition generally affecting participants in any jurisdiction or geographic area in any segment of the industries or markets in which the Subject Business operates; (iii) any change or proposed change in Domicile SAP or Applicable Law, or the final and binding official interpretation or the enforcement thereof; (iv) natural disasters, catastrophic events, pandemics, hostilities, acts of war or terrorism, or any escalation or worsening thereof; (v) the negotiation, execution and delivery of, or the taking of any action required by, the Transaction Agreements, the failure to take any action prohibited by the Transaction Agreements, or the public announcement of, or consummation of, any of the transactions contemplated thereby; or (vi) any downgrade or threatened downgrade in the rating assigned to the Original Cedents or Maiden Insurance by any rating agency solely to the extent related to the Transaction Agreements (provided that this clause (vi) shall not by itself exclude the underlying causes of any such downgrade or threatened downgrade); provided, however, that any effect resulting from, arising out of or relating to any event, change, condition or occurrence referred to in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) shall be taken into account in determining whether a Material Adverse Effect has occurred or could reasonably be expected to occur if such event, change, condition or occurrence has a disproportionate effect on the Subject Business compared to other similarly situated businesses.

"<u>Net Retrocession Premium</u>" means an amount equal to the Retrocession Premium, minus the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance.

"Order" means any order, writ, judgment, injunction, decree, stipulation, determination or award entered by or with any Governmental Authority.

"<u>Person</u>" means an individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, association, trust, unincorporated organization, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"Reconciliation Amount" means an amount equal to covered losses under the Retrocession Agreement paid by Maiden Insurance during the period commencing on July 1, 2018 through the Closing Date, minus third party reinsurance and other recoverables, whether or not actually collected, inuring to the benefit of the business retroceded under the Retrocession Agreement during the period commencing on July 1, 2018 through the Closing Date.

"Reinsured Policies" means, collectively, each "Underlying Reinsurance Agreement" as such term is defined in the Existing AII Quota Share Agreement and each policy reinsured under the Existing AEL Quota Share Agreement.

"Representative" means, with respect to any Person, means an employee, attorney or consultant of such Person or an Affiliate of such Person.

"Retrocession Premium" means \$2.675 billion minus the Reconciliation Amount.

"Subject Business" means, collectively, "Covered Business" as such term is defined in the Existing AII Quota Share Agreement and the business as described under the heading "Class and Period of Business" in the Existing AEL Quota Share Agreement, but only with respect to losses incurred on or prior to June 30, 2018. For the avoidance of doubt, liabilities reinsured under the Retrocession Agreement will not include any claims, commissions, asset management fees, brokerage expenses or other amounts that were due on or prior to June 30, 2018, but unpaid as of that date, or other liabilities expressly excluded under the Retrocession Agreement.

"Tax" means any and all federal, state, foreign or local income, gross receipts, premium, capital stock, franchise, guaranty fund assessment, retaliatory, profits, withholding, social security, unemployment, disability, real property, ad valorem/personal property, stamp, excise, occupation, sales, use, transfer, value added, alternative minimum, estimated or other tax, fee, duty, levy, custom, tariff, impost, assessment, obligation or charge of the same or of a similar nature to any of the foregoing, including any interest, penalty or addition thereto.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" means any report, estimate, extension request, information statement, claim for refund, or return relating to, or required to be filed in connection with, any Tax, including any schedule or attachment thereto, and any amendment thereof.

"<u>Third Party Reinsurance Agreements</u>" means ceded reinsurance related to the Subject Business other than the Existing Quota Share Agreements.

"<u>Transaction Agreements</u>" means this Agreement, the Existing Quota Share Agreements, the Retrocession Agreement and the Trust Agreement.

"<u>Transaction Expenses</u>" means, without duplication, all liabilities (except for any Taxes) incurred by any Party hereto for fees, expenses, costs or charges as a result of the contemplation, negotiation, efforts to consummate or consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including any fees and expenses of investment bankers, attorneys, accountants or other advisors, and any fees payable by such Parties to Governmental Authorities or other third parties, in each case, in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Transfer Taxes" means any and all sales, use, value added, stamp, documentary, filing, recording, transfer, real estate, stock transfer, intangible property transfer, personal property transfer, gross receipts, registration, securities transactions, conveyance and notarial Taxes, and similar fees, Taxes and governmental charges (together with any interest, penalty, addition to Tax, and additional amount imposed in respect thereof) arising out of or in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Trust Account" means the trust account to be created under the Retrocession Agreement.

In addition, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set forth in the following sections of this Agreement:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Section</u>
Actuarial Firm	2.4(c)
Agreement	Preamble
AmTrust	Recitals
Closing	2.1(a)
Closing Date	2.1(b)
Closing Statement	2.3
Disputed Items	2.4(b)
Effective Time	2.1(b)
Enforceability Exceptions	3.2
Enstar	Preamble
Estimated Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance	2.3
Estimated Retrocession Premium	2.3
Extended Deadline Date	8.1(b)(i)
Final Closing Statement	2.4(a)
Final Deadline Date	8.1(b)(ii)
Maiden	Preamble
Maiden Insurance	Preamble
Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreements	3.13(a)
New York Court	9.7(a)
Notice of Disagreement	2.4(b)
Original Cedents	Recitals
Party	Recitals
Resolution Period	2.4(c)
Retrocession Agreement	Recitals
Retrocessionaire	Recitals
Trust Agreement	Recitals
Unresolved Items	2.4(c)

#### ARTICLE II

#### CLOSING AND RETROCESSION PREMIUM

#### Section 2.1 Closing.

- (a) The closing of the transactions contemplated hereby (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall take place at the offices of Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, One Logan Square, Suite 2000, Philadelphia, PA 19103, at 10:00 a.m., local time:
  - (i) if all conditions set forth in Article VI have been satisfied or waived in accordance with this Agreement (other than those conditions that by their terms are to be satisfied at the Closing but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions) on or prior to the Deadline Date, on the earlier of (A) the fifth Business Day following the date on which all such conditions have been so satisfied or waived and (B) the Deadline Date; or
  - (ii) if (1) the Deadline Date has been extended pursuant to Section 8.1(b)(i) and (2) all conditions set forth in Article VI have been satisfied or waived in

accordance with this Agreement (other than those conditions that by their terms are to be satisfied at the Closing but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions) after the Deadline Date and on or prior to the Extended Deadline Date, on the earlier of (A) the fifth Business Day following the date on which all such conditions have been so satisfied or waived and (B) the Extended Deadline Date; or

(iii) if (1) the Extended Deadline Date has been extended pursuant to Section 8.1(b)(ii) and (2) all conditions set forth in Article VI have been satisfied or waived in accordance with this Agreement (other than those conditions that by their terms are to be satisfied at the Closing but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions) after the Extended Deadline Date and on or prior to the Final Deadline Date, on the earlier of (A) the fifth Business Day following the date on which all such conditions have been so satisfied or waived and (B) the Final Deadline Date;

unless, in any case, another date, time or place is agreed to in writing by the Parties hereto.

(b) The actual date and time on which the Closing occurs are referred to herein as the "<u>Closing Date</u>." The "<u>Effective Time</u>" for purposes of the Transaction Agreements shall be as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern time on the Closing Date.

Section 2.2 Closing Deliveries.

- (a) <u>Maiden's and Maiden Insurance's Closing Deliveries</u>. At the Closing, Maiden Insurance shall make the payment contemplated by <u>Section 2.3</u> and Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall deliver to Enstar:
  - (i) a certificate duly executed by an authorized officer of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, dated as of the Closing Date, certifying as to Maiden's and Maiden Insurance's compliance with the conditions set forth in Section 6.2(a) and Section 6.2(b);
  - (ii) counterparts of the Retrocession Agreement and the Trust Agreement, duly executed by Maiden Insurance; and
  - (iii) evidence reasonably satisfactory to Enstar that sub-accounts have been created in the trust accounts under the Existing Trust Agreements and the Existing Quota Share Agreements related to the Subject Business and that Enstar or its designee has been granted investment control over such sub-accounts, which will be managed pursuant to the Investment Guidelines.
  - (b) Enstar's Closing Deliveries. At the Closing, Enstar shall deliver to Maiden and Maiden Insurance:
    - (i) a certificate duly executed by an authorized officer of Enstar, dated as of the Closing Date, certifying as to Enstar's compliance with the conditions set forth in <u>Section 6.3(a)</u> and <u>Section 6.3(b)</u>; and
    - (ii) counterparts of the Retrocession Agreement and the Trust Agreement, duly executed by the Retrocessionaire.

Section 2.3 <u>Payment at Closing</u>. No later than five (5) Business Days prior to the anticipated Closing Date, Maiden Insurance shall deliver to Enstar a statement (the "<u>Closing Statement</u>") setting forth Maiden Insurance's good faith estimate of the Retrocession Premium (the "<u>Estimated Retrocession Premium</u>"), the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance (the "<u>Estimated Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance</u>"), the Estimated Net Retrocession Premium and the Estimated Initial Trust Funding Amount. As consideration for the reinsurance by the Retrocessionaire of the Reinsured Policies under the Retrocession Agreement, Maiden Insurance shall pay to the Retrocession Premium as more fully set forth in <u>Sections 2.3</u> and <u>2.4</u>. On the Closing Date, Maiden Insurance shall pay to the Retrocessionaire an amount equal to the Estimated Retrocession Premium as reflected on the Closing Statement. This payment of the Estimated Retrocession Premium shall consist of (i) a deposit of cash equal to the Estimated Net Retrocession Premium by Maiden Insurance, on behalf of the Retrocessionaire, into the Trust Account and (ii) a credit by Maiden Insurance, on behalf of the Retrocessionaire, to the Funds Withheld Account in an amount equal to the Estimated Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance.

#### Section 2.4 Post-Closing Adjustments.

- (a) No later than ninety (90) days following the Closing Date, Maiden Insurance shall deliver to Enstar a detailed statement (the "<u>Final Closing Statement</u>") setting forth Maiden Insurance's calculation of the Retrocession Premium, the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance and the Net Retrocession Premium as of the Effective Time.
- (b) If Enstar disagrees with the determination of any item on the Final Closing Statement, it may, within thirty (30) days after receipt of the Final Closing Statement, deliver a notice of disagreement (a "Notice of Disagreement") to Maiden Insurance disagreeing with the Final Closing Statement and specifying in reasonable detail each item that it in good faith disputes (each, a "Disputed Item") and the amount in dispute for each such Disputed Item. If Enstar does not deliver a Notice of Disagreement within such thirty (30) day period, then the Retrocession Premium, the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance and the Net Retrocession Premium shall be deemed to equal the amounts provided in the Final Closing Statement and such amounts shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Parties.
- (c) If a Notice of Disagreement was timely delivered pursuant to Section 2.4(b), Enstar and Maiden Insurance shall, during the fifteen (15) days following the receipt of such Notice of Disagreement (the "Resolution Period"), use their commercially reasonable efforts to reach agreement on the Disputed Items. If, by the end of the Resolution Period, Enstar and Maiden Insurance are unable to reach such agreement with respect to all of the Disputed Items, they shall promptly thereafter engage and submit the unresolved Disputed Items (the "Unresolved Items") to a mutually acceptable actuarial firm (the "Actuarial Firm") which shall promptly review this Agreement and the Unresolved Items. The Actuarial Firm shall issue its written determination with respect to each Unresolved Item within thirty (30) days after the Unresolved Items are submitted for review. The Actuarial Firm shall determine each of the Unresolved Items, and giving effect to such determination, calculate the Retrocession Premium, the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance and the Net Retrocession Premium. Each Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to furnish to the Actuarial Firm such work papers, books, records and documents and other information pertaining to the Unresolved Items as the Actuarial Firm may request. The determination of the Actuarial Firm shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Parties. Judgment may be entered upon the determination by the Actuarial Firm in accordance with Section 9.7. The fees, expenses and costs of the Actuarial Firm incurred in rendering any determination pursuant to this Section shall be split equally between Enstar and Maiden Insurance.

(d) Promptly following final resolution of the Retrocession Premium, the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance and the Net Retrocession Premium, whether by the absence of timely delivery of Notice of Disagreement or pursuant to Section 2.4(c), if the Net Retrocession Premium exceeds the Estimated Net Retrocession Premium, Maiden Insurance shall deposit into the Trust Account, on behalf of the Retrocessionaire an amount equal to such excess. If the Estimated Net Retrocession Premium exceeds the Net Retrocession Premium, then Maiden Insurance shall be entitled to withdraw from the Trust Account an amount equal to such excess. If the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance, Maiden Insurance shall credit to the Funds Withheld Account an amount equal to such excess. If the Estimated Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance exceeds the Initial Funds Withheld Account Balance, then Maiden Insurance shall debit the Funds Withheld Account by an amount equal to such excess. Any payment pursuant to this Section 2.4(d) shall be made within five (5) Business Days after the amount of the Retrocession Premium has been resolved pursuant to this Section 2.4, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the Trust Account or to an account designated by Maiden Insurance, as applicable. The amount of any payment, credit or debit to be made pursuant to this Section 2.4(d) shall bear interest from and including the Closing Date to but excluding the date of payment, credit or debit at a rate per annum equal to 2.0%. Such interest shall be payable at the same time as the payment to which it relates and shall be calculated daily on the basis of a year of 365 days and the actual number of days elapsed.

#### ARTICLE III

#### REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF MAIDEN

Subject to and as qualified by the matters set forth in the Maiden Disclosure Schedule, Maiden and Maiden Insurance, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to Enstar as of the date of this Agreement and as of the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties which address matters only as of a specific date, which representations and warranties shall be true and correct as of such specific date) as follows:

Section 3.1 <u>Organization</u>, <u>Standing and Corporate Power</u>. Each of Maiden and Maiden Insurance is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of formation, and has all requisite corporate power and authority to carry on the operations of its business as it is now being conducted. As of the Closing Date, each of Maiden and Maiden Insurance will have obtained all authorizations and approvals required under Applicable Law to perform their respective obligations under the Transaction Agreements.

Section 3.2 <u>Authority</u>. Each of Maiden and Maiden Insurance have the requisite corporate (or other organizational) power and authority to enter into the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party and to consummate the respective transactions contemplated thereby. The execution and delivery by Maiden and Maiden Insurance of the respective Transaction Agreements to which they are a party and the consummation by Maiden and Maiden Insurance of the respective transactions contemplated thereby have been and, with respect to the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party to be executed and delivered at Closing, will be duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action on the part of Maiden and Maiden Insurance. The shareholders of Maiden are not required to approve any of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements under Applicable Law or the rules of any stock exchange on which common shares of Maiden are listed for trading. Each of the Transaction Agreements have been or, with respect to the Transaction Agreements to be executed and delivered at the Closing, will be duly executed and delivered by Maiden and Maiden Insurance as applicable and,

assuming the Transaction Agreements constitute valid and binding agreements of the other parties thereto (other than Maiden and Maiden Insurance), constitute valid and binding obligations of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, enforceable against Maiden and Maiden Insurance in accordance with their terms, except that (a) such enforcement may be subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar laws, now or hereafter in effect, affecting creditors' rights generally and (b) the remedy of specific performance and injunctive and other forms of equitable relief may be subject to equitable defenses and to the discretion of the court before which any proceeding therefor may be brought (clauses (a) and (b) shall be referred to as, the "Enforceability Exceptions").

Section 3.3 No Conflict or Violation. The execution, delivery and performance by Maiden and Maiden Insurance of the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party and the consummation of the respective transactions contemplated thereby in accordance with the respective terms and conditions hereof will not (i) violate any provision of the organizational documents of Maiden or Maiden Insurance, or (ii) violate any material contract, permit, Order, judgment, injunction, condition, agreement, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or Governmental Authority, foreign or domestic, against or imposed or binding upon, Maiden or Maiden Insurance in any material respect.

Section 3.4 <u>Consents</u>. Subject to the matters referred to in the next sentence, the execution, delivery and performance by Maiden and Maiden Insurance of the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party and the consummation of the respective transactions contemplated thereby in accordance with the respective terms and conditions hereof will not contravene any Applicable Law in any material respect. No consent, approval or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notice to, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is required by or with respect to Maiden or Maiden Insurance in connection with the execution and delivery of any Transaction Agreements by Maiden or Maiden Insurance, or the consummation by Maiden or Maiden Insurance of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, except for the approvals, filings and notices set forth in Section 3.4 of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule.

Section 3.5 <u>Compliance</u>. Except as disclosed in Section 3.5 of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule, Maiden and Maiden Insurance are in compliance in all material respects with their organizational documents, all Applicable Law to the extent related to the Subject Business, the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party, and all material permits and licenses issued to either of them by any Governmental Authority in connection with the Subject Business.

Section 3.6 <u>Broker</u>. Except as disclosed in Section 3.6 of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule, no broker or finder has acted directly or indirectly for Maiden or its Affiliates, and Maiden has not incurred any obligation in respect of any broker or finder, which might be entitled to any fee or commission from Enstar or its Affiliates in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Section 3.7 <u>Taxes and Encumbrances</u>. There are no Encumbrances resulting from Taxes or otherwise on any of the rights or other assets to be transferred from Maiden Insurance to Enstar pursuant to any Transaction Agreement.

Section 3.8 <u>Claims Data</u>. The historical claims data made available to Enstar by Maiden, Maiden Insurance or their Affiliates as regards the Subject Business is accurate in all material respects as of the date indicated; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no representation or warranty is made as to the adequacy or sufficiency of any reserves data as of any date.

Section 3.9 <u>Reports on Subject Business</u>. Maiden and Maiden Insurance have made available to Enstar true and complete copies of those reports set forth on Section 3.9 of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule. The insurance reserves reflected in such reports were in each case prepared in all material respects in accordance with generally accepted actuarial standards consistently applied and the factual information and factual data upon which such reports are based are true and correct in all material respects.

Section 3.10 <u>Absence of Certain Changes</u>. Except as disclosed in Section 3.10 of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule, since December 31, 2017 through the date hereof, (a) to the knowledge of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, the Subject Business has been conducted in all material respects in the ordinary course consistent with past practices, (b) the Existing Quota Share Agreements have been administered in all material respects in the ordinary course, consistent with past practice, and (c) there has not been any adverse event, change or circumstance that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 3.11 Orders and Proceedings. As of the date hereof, there are no (i) material outstanding Orders relating to the Subject Business against or involving Maiden or Maiden Insurance or any of their respective assets related to the Subject Business or (ii) material consent agreements, commitment agreements, capital maintenance or similar written agreements entered into between any Governmental Authority and Maiden or any of its Affiliates that expressly relate to the Subject Business under which Maiden or any of its Affiliates has any continuing obligations. As of the date of this Agreement, there is no material claim, action, suit, litigation, legal, administrative or arbitration proceeding, regulatory inquiry, investigation or examination relating to the Subject Business which is pending or threatened against or involving Maiden, Maiden Insurance or any assets, properties, rights or privileges of Maiden or Maiden Insurance relating to the Subject Business that, in each case, challenges or may reasonably be expected to have the effect of preventing or delaying or making unlawful the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the Transaction Agreements.

Section 3.12 Reinsured Policies. With respect to each Reinsured Policy, to the knowledge of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, (i) the applicable Original Cedent is not in default under such Reinsured Policy in any material respect and no event has occurred which would create such a default by such Original Cedent under such Reinsured Policy (it being understood that claims under the Reinsured Policies that are the subject of a good faith dispute shall not constitute defaults under the Reinsured Policies for the purposes of this Section 3.12) and (ii) such Reinsured Policy was issued in compliance in all material respects with Applicable Law. To the knowledge of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, there are no material pending or threatened disputes with respect to the validity of any Reinsured Policy.

#### Section 3.13 Ceded Reinsurance.

(a) Section 3.13(a) of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule identifies reinsurers that are party to Third Party Reinsurance Agreements (i) which have an effective date on or prior to the Closing Date; and (ii) as to which there were claim reserves, associated reserves for incurred but not reported claims, unearned premiums, refunds or policy reserves, in the aggregate, equal to or exceeding \$1,000,000 as of June 30, 2018. The Third Party Reinsurance Agreements entered into by the Original Cedents (or its Affiliates) with such reinsurers are referred to herein as the "Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreements." Maiden and Maiden Insurance have made available to Enstar true and complete copies of the Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreements and all amendments thereto and all Books and Records to the extent relating to the foregoing.

(b) Except as set forth in Section 3.13(b) of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule, to the knowledge of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, no Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement contains any provision under which the reinsurer may terminate such agreement by reason of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the agreements contemplated hereby. There has been no separate contract between the applicable Original Cedent (or its Affiliates) and any other party to such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement that would under any circumstances reduce, limit, mitigate or otherwise affect any actual or potential loss to the parties under any such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement, other than inuring contracts that are explicitly defined in any such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement.

(c) With respect to each Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement, except as set forth in Section 3.13(c) of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule, to the knowledge of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, (i) neither the applicable Original Cedent (or its Affiliates) nor the reinsurer is in default under such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement, and no event has occurred which would create a default or breach by such Original Cedent (or its Affiliates) under such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement, (ii) such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement is in full force and effect and is valid and enforceable in accordance with its terms subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, and (iii) such Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement complies in all material respects with Applicable Law. To the knowledge of Maiden and Maiden Insurance, there are no material pending or threatened disputes with respect to the validity of any Material Third Party Reinsurance Agreement.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF ENSTAR

Subject to and as qualified by the matters set forth in the Enstar Disclosure Schedule, Enstar represents and warrants to Maiden and Maiden Insurance as of the date of this Agreement and as of the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties which address matters only as of a specific date, which representations and warranties shall be true and correct as of such specific date) as follows:

Section 4.1 <u>Organization, Standing and Corporate Power</u>. Enstar is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of Bermuda, and has all requisite corporate power and authority to carry on the operations of its business as it is now being conducted. Prior to the Closing Date, the Retrocessionaire will be duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the Cayman Islands, and will have all requisite corporate power and authority to carry on the operations of its business as it will be conducted after the Closing Date. As of the Closing Date, each of Enstar and the Retrocessionaire will have obtained all authorizations and approvals required under Applicable Law to perform their respective obligations under the Transaction Agreements.

Section 4.2 <u>Authority</u>. Each of Enstar and the Retrocessionaire has (or will have in the case of the Retrocessionaire) the requisite corporate (or other organizational) power and authority to enter into the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party and to consummate the transactions contemplated thereby. The execution and delivery by Enstar and the Retrocessionaire of the respective Transaction Agreements to which they are a party and the consummation by Enstar and the Retrocessionaire of the respective transactions contemplated thereby have been and, with respect to the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party to be executed and delivered at Closing, will be duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other organizational action on the part of Enstar and the Retrocessionaire. Each of the Transaction Agreements has been or, with respect to the Transaction Agreements to be executed and delivered at the Closing, will be duly executed and delivered by Enstar and the Retrocessionaire as applicable and, assuming the Transaction Agreements constitute valid and binding agreements of the other

parties thereto (other than Enstar and the Retrocessionaire), constitute valid and binding obligations of Enstar and the Retrocessionaire, enforceable against Enstar and the Retrocessionaire in accordance with their terms, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions.

Section 4.3 <u>No Conflict or Violation</u>. The execution, delivery and performance by Enstar and the Retrocessionaire of the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby in accordance with the respective terms and conditions hereof will not (i) violate any provision of the organizational documents of Enstar or the Retrocessionaire, or (ii) violate any material contract, permit, Order, judgment, injunction, condition, agreement, award or decree of any court, arbitrator or Governmental Authority, foreign or domestic, against or imposed or binding upon, Enstar or the Retrocessionaire in any material respect.

Section 4.4 <u>Consents</u>. Subject to the matters referred to in the next sentence, the execution, delivery and performance by Enstar and the Retrocessionaire of the Transaction Agreements to which it is a party and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby in accordance with the respective terms and conditions hereof will not contravene any Applicable Law in any material respect. No consent, approval or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notice to, any Governmental Authority or any other Person is required by or with respect to Enstar or the Retrocessionaire in connection with the execution and delivery of the Transaction Agreements by Enstar or the Retrocessionaire, or the consummation by Enstar or the Retrocessionaire of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, except for the approvals, filings and notices set forth in Section 4.4 of the Enstar Disclosure Schedule.

Section 4.5 <u>Compliance</u>. Except as disclosed in Section 4.5 of the Enstar Disclosure Schedule, Enstar and the Retrocessionaire are in compliance in all material respects with their organizational documents, all Applicable Law, the Transactions Agreements to which it is a party, and all material permits and licenses issued to either of them by any Governmental Authority, except for any non-compliance which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to impair the ability of Enstar or the Retrocessionaire to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements or perform its obligations thereunder.

Section 4.6 <u>Broker</u>. No broker or finder has acted directly or indirectly for Enstar or its Affiliates, and Enstar has not incurred any obligation in respect of any broker or finder, which might be entitled to any fee or commission from Maiden, Maiden Insurance or their respective Affiliates in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **COVENANTS**

Section 5.1 <u>Conduct of Maiden Insurance</u>. Except as contemplated by any Transaction Agreement, as required by Applicable Law or Domicile SAP, or as the Parties otherwise agree, Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall not (and shall cause their respective Affiliates not to) without the consent of Enstar amend or terminate the Existing Quota Share Agreements, the Reinsured Policies, the Existing Trust Agreements or any Third Party Reinsurance Agreements to the extent relating to any Reinsured Policy or waive any material rights thereunder, consent to any change to the reinsurance rates thereunder or settle any material disputes thereunder to the extent that any such actions relate in whole or in part to the Reinsured Policies, enter into any new reinsurance agreements with respect to any Reinsured Policy or

enter into a binding agreement to take any of the foregoing actions. With respect to Third Party Reinsurance Agreements that reinsure both the Subject Business and other insurance business of the Original Cedents, Maiden Insurance shall cause the Original Cedents to allocate reinsurance recoverables under such Third Party Reinsurance Agreements between the Subject Business and such other insurance business equitably, taking into account the extent to which reinsurance recoverables relate to policies that are included in the Subject Business and in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practices.

Section 5.2 <u>Access to Information</u>. From and after the date hereof until the earlier of the Closing Date or the termination of this Agreement, upon reasonable prior notice, Enstar, at its own expense, shall have the right to inspect all Books and Records at any reasonable time during normal business hours at the office of Maiden and Maiden Insurance; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall not be obligated to provide access to any Books and Records if they believe in good faith that doing so would violate a contract, agreement or obligation of confidentiality owing to a third party, jeopardize the protection of an attorney-client privilege or be reasonably expected to expose Maiden, Maiden Insurance or their respective Affiliates to liability for disclosure of sensitive or personal information, it being understood that Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall use their respective commercially reasonable efforts to enable such information to be furnished or made available to Enstar without so jeopardizing privilege, contravening such obligation or exposing such party to such liability. Without limiting the terms thereof, the provisions of <u>Section 5.7</u> shall govern the obligations of Enstar and its Representatives with respect to all information of any type furnished or made available to them pursuant to this <u>Section 5.2</u>.

Section 5.3 <u>Commercially Reasonable Efforts</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions and other agreements set forth in this Agreement, each of the Parties agrees to use its commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, and to assist and cooperate with the other Parties in doing, all things necessary, proper or advisable to consummate and make effective, in the most expeditious manner practicable, the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements, and not to take any actions intended to cause any delay or failure in the consummation of such transactions.

# Section 5.4 Consents, Approvals and Filings.

(a) Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Parties shall each use their reasonable best efforts, and shall cooperate fully with each other: (i) to comply as promptly as practicable with all requirements of Government Authorities applicable to the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements; and (ii) to obtain as promptly as practicable all necessary permits, orders, or other consents, approvals or authorizations of Governmental Authorities and consents or waivers of all other third parties necessary in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements. In connection therewith, the Parties shall make and cause their respective Affiliates to make all legally required filings as promptly as practicable in order to facilitate prompt consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements, shall provide and shall cause their respective Affiliates to provide such information and communications to Governmental Authorities as such Governmental Authorities may request, shall take and shall cause their respective Affiliates to take all steps that are necessary, proper or advisable to avoid any Action by any Governmental Authority with respect to the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements, and shall defend or contest in good faith any Action by any third party (including any Governmental Authority), whether judicial or administrative, challenging any of the Transaction Agreements or the transactions contemplated thereby, or that could otherwise prevent, impede, interfere with, hinder, or delay in any material respect the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby, including by using its

reasonable best efforts to have vacated or reversed any stay or temporary restraining order entered with respect to the transactions contemplated by any of the Transaction Agreements by any Governmental Authority, and shall consent to and comply with any condition other than a Burdensome Condition imposed by any Governmental Authority on its grant of any such permit, order, consent, approval or authorization. Each of the Parties shall provide to the other Party copies of the non-confidential portions of all applications or other communications to or with Governmental Authorities in connection with this Agreement at least three (3) Business Days in advance of the filing or submission thereof.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, promptly following the date hereof, to the extent not already filed, Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall, and shall cause their respective Affiliates to, file with all applicable Insurance Regulators requests for approval or non-disapproval of any Transaction Agreement that constitutes a related party transaction, as applicable, that are required to be obtained by any of them. Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall give to Enstar prompt written notice if either of them receives or their respective Affiliates receive any notice or other communication from any Insurance Regulator in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements, and, in the case of any such notice or communication that is in writing, shall promptly furnish Enstar with a copy thereof.

Section 5.5 <u>Public Announcements</u>. Each Party and its respective Affiliates shall consult with each other before issuing, and provide each other the opportunity to review and comment upon, any press release or other public statement with respect to the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements and shall not issue any such press release or make any such public statement with respect to such matters without the advance approval of the other Parties following such consultation (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned), except as may be required by Applicable Law or by the requirements of any securities exchange; <u>provided</u> that, in the event that any Party is required by Applicable Law or the requirements of any securities exchange to issue any such press release or make any public statement and it is not feasible to obtain the advance approval of the other Parties hereto as required by this <u>Section 5.5</u>, the Party that issues such press release or makes such public statement shall provide the other Parties with notice and a copy of such press release or public statement as soon as reasonably practicable.

Section 5.6 Further Assurances. Each Party shall (a) execute and deliver, or shall cause to be executed and delivered, such documents, certificates, agreements, and other writings and shall take, or shall cause to be taken, such further actions as may be reasonably required or requested by any Party to carry out the provisions of the Transaction Agreements and consummate or implement expeditiously the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements and (b) refrain from taking any actions that could reasonably be expected to impair, delay or impede the Closing. After the Closing, each of the Parties shall cooperate with the other Parties by taking such further actions, furnishing any additional information and executing and delivering any additional documents as may be reasonably requested by the other Parties to further perfect or evidence the consummation of, or otherwise implement, any transaction contemplated by this Agreement or the other Transaction Agreements, or to aid in the preparation of any regulatory filing or financial statement; provided, however, that any such additional documents must be reasonably satisfactory to each of the Parties and not impose upon any Party any material liability, risk, obligation, loss, cost or expense not contemplated by this Agreement or the other Transaction Agreements.

Section 5.7 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Parties shall keep confidential the information provided by the other Parties pursuant to this Agreement. If this Agreement is, for any reason, terminated prior to the Closing, the provisions of this <u>Section 5.7</u> shall nonetheless continue in full force and effect.

Section 5.8 <u>Burdensome Condition</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, (i) none of the Parties or any of their respective Affiliates shall be required to consent to or comply with any Burdensome Condition or otherwise be required to take any action that would result in a Burdensome Condition in order to perform any of its obligations under any Transaction Agreement and (ii) the Parties shall not, and shall cause their respective Affiliates not to, consent to, offer or agree to any Burdensome Condition, with respect to the Subject Business.

Section 5.9 <u>Transfer Taxes</u>. All Transfer Taxes, if any, shall be borne by Maiden Insurance, and it shall indemnify and hold harmless Enstar and its Affiliates with respect to its share of such Transfer Taxes.

Section 5.10 Existing Trust Agreements. Prior to the Closing Date, Enstar will seek to cause AmTrust and its Affiliates to amend the Existing Trust Agreements to provide for sub-accounts to hold assets allocable to the Subject Business, including the Retrocessionaire's quota share thereof, and to amend the terms of the trusts created under the Existing Quota Share Reinsurance Agreement or other agreements to provide for sub-accounts to hold assets allocable to the Subject Business. Such sub-accounts shall be held by third-party trustees reasonably acceptable to Enstar, and Enstar or its designee shall have investment control of the assets in the Trust Accounts, subject to the Investment Guidelines. Maiden shall cooperate as reasonably requested by Enstar to secure such amendments.

Section 5.11 <u>Transfer of Books and Records</u>. At the Closing, Maiden and Maiden Insurance will transfer copies of all Books and Records to Enstar at Enstar's reasonable request.

Section 5.12 <u>Novation</u>. Maiden, Maiden Insurance and Enstar shall cooperate with each other and use their respective best efforts to effect a novation of the portion of the Existing Quota Share Agreements proposed to be reinsured under the Retrocession Agreement from Maiden Insurance to Enstar as promptly as practicable, whereby Maiden Insurance will be released from all duties and liabilities under the Existing Quota Share Agreements and Enstar will be substituted for Maiden Insurance under the Existing Quota Share Agreements, in each case, with respect to such portion of the Existing Quota Share Agreements, subject to any terms and conditions more fully set forth in a novation agreement.

Section 5.13 Existing Master Agreement. Maiden acknowledges that certain provisions of the Existing Master Agreement inure to the benefit of Maiden Insurance as the reinsurer of the Subject Business under the Existing Quota Share Agreements and Maiden shall (a) to the extent reasonably requested by Enstar, exercise such rights for the benefit of Maiden Insurance and correspondingly for the benefit of Enstar, (b) not consent to any action by AmTrust or its Affiliates pursuant to the terms of the Existing Master Agreement without obtaining the prior written consent of Enstar, (c) not amend the provisions of the Existing Master Agreement that inure to the benefit of Maiden Insurance as the reinsurer under the Existing Quota Share Agreements without obtaining the prior written consent of Enstar, or (d) not terminate the Existing Master Agreement without providing for such provisions to survive such termination for the direct benefit of Enstar.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

Section 6.1 <u>Conditions to Each Party's Obligations</u>. The obligations of the Parties to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby shall be subject to the satisfaction or waiver in writing at or prior to the Closing of the following conditions:

- (a) <u>Approvals</u>. All consents, approvals or authorizations of, declarations or filings with, or notices to any Governmental Authority in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby that are set forth in Section 3.4 of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule or Section 4.4 of the Enstar Disclosure Schedule shall have been obtained or made and shall be in full force and effect, and all waiting periods required under Applicable Law with respect thereto shall have expired or been terminated.
- (b) <u>No Injunctions or Restraints</u>. No temporary restraining order, preliminary or permanent injunction, or other order issued by any court of competent jurisdiction and no statute, rule or regulation of any Governmental Authority preventing the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements shall be in effect; <u>provided</u> that the Party asserting the failure of this condition shall have used its reasonable best efforts to have any such order or injunction vacated (in accordance with the terms of this Agreement).
- (c) <u>Burdensome Condition</u>. None of Maiden, Enstar, the Retrocessionaire nor any of their respective Affiliates shall have become subject to any Burdensome Condition.

If the Closing occurs, all conditions set forth in this <u>Section 6.1</u> that have not been fully satisfied as of the Closing shall be deemed to have been duly waived by the Parties.

Section 6.2 <u>Conditions to Obligations of Enstar</u>. The obligations of Enstar to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby shall be subject to the satisfaction or waiver in writing at or prior to the Closing of the following additional conditions:

- (a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of Maiden and Maiden Insurance set forth in this Agreement (without giving effect to any limitation set forth therein as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect) shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent any such representation and warranty speaks only as of an earlier date, in which event such representation and warranty shall have been true and correct as of such date), except where the failure of such representations and warranties to be so true and correct would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to materially adversely affect the Subject Business.
- (b) <u>Performance of Obligations of Maiden and Maiden Insurance</u>. Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall have performed and complied in all material respects with all agreements, obligations, and covenants required to be performed or complied with by them under this Agreement on or prior to the Closing Date.
- (c) <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. Maiden and Maiden Insurance shall have delivered or caused to have been delivered to Enstar each of the documents required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Section 2.2</u>.
- (d) <u>Trust Sub-Accounts</u>. AmTrust and the Original Cedents shall have amended the terms of the Existing Trust Agreements and the trusts created under the Existing Quota Share Agreements to create sub-accounts to hold assets allocable to the Subject Business with third-party trustees reasonably acceptable to Enstar and Enstar or its designee shall have been granted investment control over such sub-accounts and all other funds withheld assets, which will be managed pursuant to the Investment Guidelines.
- (e) <u>Cayman Capital Requirement</u>. The Retrocessionaire shall have been duly formed and licensed in the Cayman Islands and received approval for the transactions contemplated by this

Agreement with no more than \$500 million of initial capital and without the imposition of any Burdensome Condition by any Insurance Regulator.

(f) <u>Bermuda Capital Requirement</u>. Enstar shall have received written confirmation from the Bermuda Insurance Regulator that the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements will not increase Enstar's Bermuda Statutory Capital Requirements by more than the \$500 million contributed to the Retrocessionaire or otherwise impact Enstar's Economic Balance Sheet by more than such \$500 million.

If the Closing occurs, all conditions set forth in this <u>Section 6.2</u> that have not been fully satisfied as of the Closing shall be deemed to have been duly waived by Enstar.

Section 6.3 <u>Conditions to Obligations of Maiden and Maiden Insurance</u>. The obligations of Maiden and Maiden Insurance to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby shall be subject to the satisfaction or waiver in writing at or prior to the Closing of the following additional conditions:

- (a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of Enstar set forth in this Agreement (without giving effect to any limitation set forth therein as to materiality) shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent any such representation and warranty speaks only as of an earlier date, in which event such representation and warranty shall have been true and correct as of such date), except where the failure of such representations and warranties to be so true and correct would not, individually or in the aggregate, impair the ability of Enstar to consummate any of the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Agreements.
- (b) <u>Performance of Obligations of Enstar</u>. Enstar shall have performed and complied in all material respects with all agreements, obligations and covenants required to be performed or complied with by it under this Agreement on or prior to the Closing Date.
- (c) <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. Enstar shall have delivered or caused to have been delivered to Maiden and Maiden Insurance each of the documents required to be delivered pursuant to <u>Section 2.2</u>.

If the Closing occurs, all conditions set forth in this <u>Section 6.3</u> that have not been fully satisfied as of the Closing shall be deemed to have been duly waived by Maiden and Maiden Insurance.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### **SURVIVAL**

Section 7.1 <u>Survival of Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of the Parties contained in this Agreement shall survive the Closing solely for purposes of this <u>Article VII</u> and shall terminate and expire on the date that is eighteen (18) months from the Closing Date; <u>provided</u> that (i) the representations and warranties made in <u>Sections 3.1</u> (Organization, Standing and Corporate Power), <u>Section 3.2</u> (Authority), <u>Section 3.6</u> (Broker), <u>Section 4.1</u> (Organization, Standing and Corporate Power), <u>Section 4.2</u> (Authority) and <u>Section 4.6</u> (Broker) shall survive indefinitely.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### TERMINATION PRIOR TO CLOSING

Section 8.1 <u>Termination of Agreement</u>. This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

(a) by any Party in writing, if there shall be any order, injunction or decree of any Governmental Authority that prohibits or restrains any Party from consummating the transactions contemplated hereby, and such order, injunction or decree shall have become final and non-appealable; <u>provided</u> that the Party seeking to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 8.1(a)</u> shall have performed in all material respects its obligations under this Agreement, acted in good faith, and, if binding on such Party, used reasonable best efforts to prevent the entry of, and to remove, such order, injunction or decree in accordance with its obligations under this Agreement; <u>provided</u> that no Party shall be required to consent to or comply with a Burdensome Condition in connection with preventing the entry of or removing such order, injunction or decree;

(b) except as provided herein, by any Party, in writing, if the Closing has not occurred on or prior to the Deadline Date (as it may be extended pursuant to <u>Section 8.1(b)(i)</u> and/or <u>(ii)</u> below), unless the failure of the Closing to occur is the result of a material breach of this Agreement by the Party seeking to terminate this Agreement; provided that:

- (i) if on the Deadline Date the condition set forth in <u>Section 6.1(a)</u> or the condition set forth in <u>Section 6.1(b)</u> has not been satisfied, the Deadline Date shall be automatically extended (and without the requirement of any further action by the Parties hereunder) to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on March 31, 2019 (the "<u>Extended Deadline Date</u>"); and
- (ii) if on the Extended Deadline Date the condition set forth in Section 6.1(a) or the condition set forth in Section 6.1(b) has not been satisfied, the Extended Deadline Date shall be automatically extended (and without the requirement of any further action by the Parties hereunder) to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on April 30, 2019 (the "Final Deadline Date");
- (c) by any Party (but only so long as such Party is not in material breach of its obligations under this Agreement) in writing, if a breach of any provision of this Agreement that has been committed by any other Party would cause the failure of any mutual condition to Closing or any condition to Closing for the benefit of the non-breaching Party and such breach is not subsequently waived by the non-breaching Party or capable of being cured or is not cured within 30 calendar days after the breaching Party receives written notice from the non-breaching Party that the non-breaching Party intends to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.1(c); or

(d) by mutual written consent of the Parties.

Section 8.2 <u>Effect of Termination</u>. If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to <u>Section 8.1</u>, this Agreement shall become null and void and of no further force and effect without liability of any Party (or any Representative of such Party) to the other Parties to this Agreement; <u>provided</u> that no such termination shall relieve a Party from liability for any breach of this Agreement prior to such termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, <u>Section 1.1</u>, this <u>Section 8.2</u>, <u>Section 5.7</u>, and <u>Article IX</u> and

all existing confidentiality agreements between the Parties related to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall survive termination hereof pursuant to <u>Section 8.1</u>. If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to <u>Section 8.1</u>, each Party shall return all documents received from the other Parties, their Affiliates, and their Representatives relating to the transactions contemplated hereby, whether obtained before or after the execution hereof, to such other Party.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section 9.1 <u>Fees and Expenses</u>. Each Party hereto shall, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, pay its own Transaction Expenses incident to preparing for, entering into, and carrying out the Transaction Agreements and the consummation or termination of the transactions contemplated thereby.

Section 9.2 <u>Notices</u>. Notices and other communications required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be effective if in writing and (i) mailed by United States registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, (ii) delivered by overnight express mail, or (iii) e-mailed (with confirmation of receipt) to:

### (a) if to Enstar:

Enstar Group Limited Windsor Place, 3rd Floor 22 Queen Street Hamilton, HM11 Bermuda

Attention: Paul J. O'Shea

Email: Paul.OShea@enstargroup.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP One Logan Square, Suite 2000 Philadelphia, PA 19103-6996 Attention: Robert C. Juelke Telephone: 215-988-2700 Email: Robert.Juelke@dbr.com

# (b) if to Maiden:

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Ideation House 94 Pitts Bay Road Pembroke HM 08

Bermuda

Attention: Denis Butkovic

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Arent Fox LLP 1301 Avenue of the Americas, Floor 42 New York, NY 10019 Attention: Elliot M. Kroll Email: Elliot.Kroll@arentfox.com

(c) if to Maiden Insurance:

Maiden Reinsurance Ltd. **Ideation House** 94 Pitts Bay Road Pembroke HM08 Bermuda Attention: Denis Butkovic

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Arent Fox LLP 1301 Avenue of the Americas, Floor 42 New York, NY 10019 Attention: Elliot M. Kroll Email: Elliot.Kroll@arentfox.com

Each Party hereto may change the names or addresses where notice is to be given by providing notice to the other Parties of such change in accordance with this Section.

Section 9.3 Construction.

- (a) Any reference herein to "days" (as opposed to "Business Days") shall be deemed to mean calendar days.
- (b) Any reference herein to a "consent" shall be deemed to mean prior written consent.
- (c) Any reference herein to "notice" shall be deemed to mean prior written notice.
- (d) Any reference herein to "including" and words of similar import shall mean "including without limitation," unless otherwise specified.
- (e) When a reference is made in this Agreement to a Section, Exhibit, or Schedule, such reference shall be to a Section of, or an Exhibit or Schedule to, this Agreement, unless otherwise indicated.
- (f) Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to any agreement, instrument, statute, rule, or regulation are to the agreement, instrument, statute, rule, or regulation as amended, modified, supplemented or replaced from time to time (and, in the case of statutes, includes any rules and regulations promulgated under said statutes) and to any section of any statute, rule, or regulation, including any successor to said section.

- (g) Any fact or item disclosed in any section of each of the Maiden Disclosure Schedule or the Enstar Disclosure Schedule shall be deemed disclosed in all other sections of such Disclosure Schedule to the extent the applicability of such fact or item to such other section of such Disclosure Schedule is reasonably apparent on its face. Disclosure of any item in the Maiden Disclosure Schedule or the Enstar Disclosure Schedule, as the case may be, shall not be deemed an admission that such item represents a material item, fact, exception of fact, event or circumstance or that occurrence or non-occurrence of any change or effect related to such item would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (h) The table of contents and headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- (i) Whenever the singular is used herein, the same shall include the plural, and whenever the plural is used herein, the same shall include the singular, where appropriate.
- (j) All time periods within or following which any payment is to be made or act is to be done shall be calculated by excluding the date on which the period commences and including the date on which the period ends and by extending the period to the first succeeding Business Day if the last day of the period is not a Business Day.
- (k) This Agreement has been fully negotiated by the Parties hereto and shall not be construed by any Governmental Authority or other Person against either Party by virtue of the fact that such Party was the drafting party.
- Section 9.4 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement (including all exhibits and schedules hereto) and the other Transaction Agreements constitute the entire agreement, and supersede all prior agreements, understandings, obligations, representations and warranties, both written and oral, among the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.
- Section 9.5 <u>Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. This Agreement is not intended to confer upon any Person other than the Parties hereto any rights or remedies.
- Section 9.6 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement and any dispute arising hereunder shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York, regardless of the laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of laws thereof.

Section 9.7 Jurisdiction; Enforcement; Specific Performance.

(a) Each of the Parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of any court of the United States or any state court, which in either case is located in the City of New York (each, a "New York Court") for purposes of enforcing this Agreement or determining any claim arising from or related to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. In any such action, suit or other proceeding, each of the Parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally waives and agrees not to assert by way of motion, as a defense or otherwise any claim that it is not subject to the jurisdiction of any such New York Court, that such action, suit, or other proceeding is not subject to the jurisdiction of any such New York Court, that such action, suit, or other proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum or that the venue of such action, suit, or other proceeding is improper; provided that nothing set forth in this sentence shall prohibit any of the Parties hereto from removing any matter from one New York Court to another New York Court. Each of the Parties hereto also agrees that any final and unappealable judgment against a Party hereto in connection with any action, suit or other proceeding will

be conclusive and binding on such Party and that such award or judgment may be enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction, either within or outside of the United States. A certified or exemplified copy of such award or judgment will be conclusive evidence of the fact and amount of such award or judgment. Any process or other paper to be served in connection with any action or proceeding under this Agreement shall, if delivered or sent in accordance with <u>Section 9.2</u>, constitute good, proper, and sufficient service thereof.

(b) EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (I) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT, OR ATTORNEY OR ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (II) IT UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH WAIVER, (III) IT MAKES SUCH WAIVER VOLUNTARILY AND (IV) IT HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 9.7.

(c) Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that any of the other Parties would be irreparably damaged in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed or complied with in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached, violated or unfulfilled. Accordingly, each of the Parties agrees that any of the other Parties shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions to prevent noncompliance with, or breaches or violations of, the provisions of this Agreement by any of the other Parties and to enforce specifically this Agreement and the terms and provisions hereof, in addition to any other remedy to which any of the Parties may be entitled, at law or in equity. In the event that any action is brought in equity to enforce the provisions of this Agreement, no Party will allege, and each Party hereby waives the defense or counterclaim, that there is an adequate remedy at law. The Parties further agree that (a) by seeking the remedies provided for in this Section 9.7(c), a Party shall not in any respect waive its right to seek any other form of relief that may be available to a Party under this Agreement, including monetary damages in the event that this Agreement has been terminated or in the event that the remedies provided for in this Section 9.7(c) are not available or otherwise are not granted and (b) nothing contained in this Section 9.7(c) shall require any Party to institute any action for (or limit any Party's right to institute any action pursuant to this Section 9.7(c) or anything contained in Section 9.7(c) restrict or limit any Party's right to pursue any other remedies under this Agreement that may be available then or thereafter.

Section 9.8 <u>Assignment</u>. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations under this Agreement shall be novated, transferred or assigned, in whole or in part, by any Party without the consent of the other Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Enstar and the Retrocessionaire shall have the right to syndicate, reinsure or otherwise share the losses to be reinsured under the Retrocession Agreement and, in such event, all references in this Agreement to the \$500 million capital commitment by Enstar to the Retrocessionaire and related impacts to Enstar's Bermuda Statutory Capital Requirements and Economic Balance Sheet shall be proportionately reduced to reflect the percentage of losses not retained by Enstar under the Retrocession Agreement after such syndication, reinsurance or other sharing arrangement. For the avoidance of doubt, Enstar and its co-investors, co-reinsurers and other partners shall collectively still be committed to contribute \$500 million in the aggregate to the Retrocessionaire or otherwise to complete the transactions contemplated by this

Agreement. Upon an effective assignment, this Agreement will be binding upon the respective successors and assigns. Any assignment that does not comply with this <u>Section 9.8</u> shall be void.

Section 9.9 <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may be amended only by written agreement of the Parties. Any change or modification to this Agreement shall be null and void unless made by amendment to this Agreement and signed by all Parties.

Section 9.10 <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under any present or future law or if determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, and if the rights or obligations of the Parties under this Agreement will not be materially and adversely affected thereby, such provision shall be fully severable, and this Agreement will be construed and enforced as if such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision had never comprised a part of this Agreement, and the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and will not be affected by the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision or by its severance herefrom.

Section 9.11 <u>Waiver</u>. Any Party may choose not to enforce or insist upon the strict adherence to any provision or right under this Agreement. If any Party so elects, it will not be considered to be a permanent waiver of such provision nor in any way affect the validity of this Agreement. The applicable Party will still have the right to insist upon the strict adherence to that provision or any other provision of this Agreement in the future. Any waiver of provisions by a Party under this Agreement must be in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of the Party.

Section 9.12 <u>Certain Limitations</u>. Maiden and Maiden Insurance make no express or implied representation or warranty hereby or otherwise under this Agreement, that the reserves held by them with respect to Subject Business or the assets supporting such reserves have been or will be adequate or sufficient for the purposes for which they were established, that the reinsurance recoverables taken into account in determining the amount of such reserves will be collectible, or concerning any financial statement "line item" or asset, liability or equity amount that would be affected by any of the foregoing.

Section 9.13 <u>Currency</u>. All financial data required to be provided pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be expressed in United States dollars. All settlements of account between the Parties shall be in cash.

Section 9.14 <u>Limited Offset</u>. Each Party to this Agreement may offset any amount due to any other Party or any of such other Parties' Affiliates under this Agreement against any amount owed from such other Party or its Affiliates under this Agreement; provided that no Party to this Agreement may offset any amount due to any other Parties hereto or any of such other Parties' Affiliates under this Agreement against any amount owed or alleged to be owed from such other Party or its Affiliates under any other Transaction Agreement without the written consent of such other Party.

Section 9.15 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. The Parties agree that transmission of copies of original signatures via electronic means, either by facsimile or as a "scanned" document attached to electronic mail, shall constitute valid execution of this Agreement. In the event of an electronic exchange of signatures for this Agreement, The Parties agree to subsequently exchange original "wet" execution signatures of this Agreement within a reasonable time following the electronic exchange of signatures; <u>provided</u> that the failure of any Party to exchange original "wet" execution signatures of this Agreement shall in no event affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement. Such "wet" execution signatures will reflect the date of original execution and thus will be executed in counterpart.

(remainder of page intentionally left blank)IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers, all as of the date first written above.

# MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Lawrence F. Metz Name: Lawrence F. Metz Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

# MAIDEN REINSURANCE LTD.

By: /s/ Patrick J. Haveron Name: Patrick J. Haveron

Title: President

# **ENSTAR GROUP LIMITED**

By: /s/ Paul O' Shea Name: Paul O' Shea Title: President

# EXHIBIT A

# **Summary of Terms of Retrocession Agreement**

Item	Description
Parties	Maiden Insurance; Retrocessionaire
Business Reinsured	Retrocessionaire will reinsure 100% of Maiden Insurance's quota share of Covered Losses. Retrocessionaire will follow the fortunes of Maiden Insurance with respect to Covered Losses. Covered Losses will exclude amounts paid prior to the Effective Time, amounts paid after the Effective Time in satisfaction of liabilities due but unpaid at the Effective Time, ULAE and similar unallocated expenses, Transfer Taxes and other taxes imposed on Maiden Insurance (except taxes that are the obligation of Maiden Insurance pursuant to the Existing Quota Share Agreements).
Effective Time and	
Date	The Effective Time shall be 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on the Effective Date, which shall be [•].
Territory	The territory will be coextensive with the territory of the Reinsured Policies.
Reinsurance Premium	Maiden Insurance will pay to Retrocessionaire the Retrocession Premium for deposit into the Trust Account, as adjusted for paid claims and recoveries from July 1, 2018 through the Effective Time. Maiden Insurance will also establish the Funds Withheld Account, and credit or debit the Funds Withheld Account Balance pursuant to the Master Agreement. Retrocessionaire shall also be entitled to all third party reinsurance recoveries and salvage and subrogation attributable to Covered Losses, which are collected by or on behalf of Maiden Insurance for periods on and after the Effective Time.
Reports and Settlement	Maiden Insurance will provide to Retrocessionaire periodic accounting and other reports with respect to the Subject Business and Covered Losses. Retrocessionaire will settle amounts due by direct payment of Covered Losses to the ceding companies under the Existing Quota Share Agreements (the "Original Reinsurers").
Duration and Term	The Retrocession Agreement will commence on the Effective Date and terminate on the date Maiden Insurance's liability under the Existing Quota Share Agreements for Covered Losses is terminated or extinguished and all amounts due under the Retrocession Agreement are paid, or by mutual agreement of the parties. Upon termination, Retrocessionaire shall receive all remaining assets in the Trust Account, an amount equal to the Funds Withheld Account Balance, and all uncollected recoverables.
Insolvency	Standard insolvency provisions to be included.
	Maiden Insurance shall establish a segregated Funds Withheld Account for the sole benefit of Retrocessionaire, and initially credit or debit such account in accordance with the Master Agreement. Thereafter, Maiden Insurance shall credit or debit the Funds Withheld Account with any increases and decreases in the Funds Withheld Assets, including investment income on such assets. Maiden Insurance will (1) maintain or cause the Original Reinsurers and Original Cedents to maintain assets in an amount equal to all collateral required by the Existing Quota Share Agreements, Existing Quota Share Trust Agreements, Existing Underlying Trust Agreements, and funds withheld arrangements by the Original Reinsurers and the Original Cedents, and (2) not permit the creation of encumbrances in any Funds Withheld Assets. Maiden Insurance will invest or direct the investment of all Funds Withheld Assets in accordance with the direction of Retrocessionaire and in compliance with Investment Guidelines unless investment control has been transferred to Retrocessionaire. Any overfunding of the accounts or arrangements comprising the Funds
Funds Withheld	Withheld Assets shall be withdrawn from such accounts and deposited into the Trust Account, and any
Account	underfunding of such accounts shall be funded directly by Retrocessionaire from the Trust Account.

Security	Retrocessionaire will provide security to Maiden Insurance in the form of a Trust Account established pursuant to the Trust Agreement. Retrocessionaire shall ensure the Trust Account holds assets with a Market Value greater than or equal to the trust funding amount, which shall be equal to the net reserves of Maiden Insurance with respect to Covered Losses, <a href="Less">Less</a> the Funds Withheld Account Balance, and <a href="Less">Less</a> the balance of the administrative account established pursuant to any administrative services agreement. The Trust Account will be initially funded by Maiden Insurance and Retrocessionaire as set forth in the Master Agreement. Maiden Insurance will provided quarterly reporting specifying the trust required amount and any overfunding or underfunding of the Trust Account. Retrocessionaire will deposit into the Trust Account any required underfunding, and will be entitled to withdraw from the Trust Account any overfunding. Maiden Insurance may withdraw assets from the Trust Account for specified purposes, including to pay unpaid Covered Losses, and must return to the Trust Accounts withdrawals not used for the specified purposes. All assets in the Trust Account must comply with and be invested in accordance with the Investment Guidelines. The Trust Agreement will terminate promptly following termination of the Retrocession Agreement, with payment from the Trust Account of any amounts due to Maiden Insurance and any excess amounts to Retrocessionaire.
Additional Collateral; Underlying Agreements	Maiden Insurance will not post additional collateral in connection with the Subject Business unless required by Applicable Law and the Existing Quota Share Agreements and Existing Quota Share Trust Agreement, and will not amend or permit amendment of any underlying agreements, including the Existing Quota Share Agreements, Existing Quota Share Trust Agreement and Existing Underlying Trust Agreements.
Currency	U.S. Dollars
Other Terms and Conditions	The Retrocession Agreement will contain customary terms and conditions for agreements of this type.

# EXHIBIT B

# **Summary of Terms of Trust Agreement**

Item	Description					
Parties	Maiden Insurance; Retrocessionaire; Trustee					
Trust Account	The Retrocessionaire will establish a Trust Account, and the Trustee will administer the Trust Account in its name as trustee for Maiden Insurance, as beneficiary. Assets in the Trust Account will be held by the Trustee for the sole benefit of Maiden Insurance for the purposes of satisfying certain obligations of the Retrocessionaire contemplated by the Retrocession Agreement.					
Deposits and Withdrawals	Maiden Insurance will be entitled to withdraw assets from the Trust Account, as provided in the Retrocession Agreement. The Retrocessionaire will be required to deposit additional assets into the Trust Account if the Trust Account is underfunded, and will be entitled to withdraw assets in the event the Trust Account is overfunded, all as described in the Retrocession Agreement.					
Investments	The assets in the Trust Account will be invested in eligible investments pursuant to the Investment Guidelines.					
Trust Income	All payments of interest, dividends and other income in respect of assets in the Trust Account will be posted and credited by the Trustee to the Trust Account.					
Term	The Trust Account and the Trust Agreement may be terminated only after the Retrocessionaire or Maiden Insurance has given the Trustee written notice of its intention to terminate the Trust Account, and the Trustee has similarly given the Retrocessionaire and Maiden Insurance the required written notice. On the termination date, upon receipt of written approval of Maiden Insurance, the Trustee will transfer to the Retrocessionaire any assets remaining in the Trust Account, at which time all liability of the Trustee with respect to such assets will cease.					
Other Terms and Conditions	The Trust Agreement will contain customary terms and conditions for agreements of this type.					



# PRESS RELEASE

# Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Announces Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Company enters loss portfolio transfer for AmTrust loss reserves

# **Discontinued Operations**

As part of its strategic review announced earlier in 2018, during the third quarter of 2018, the Company made the strategic decision to divest its U.S. reinsurance treaty operations. Except as explicitly described as held for sale or as discontinued operations, and unless otherwise noted, all discussions and amounts presented herein relate to the Company's continuing operations except for net loss, net loss attributable to Maiden and net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders.

# Highlights for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018

- Net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$308.8 million, or \$3.72 per diluted common share, compared with a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$63.6 million, or \$0.74 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2017;
- Non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> of \$235.1 million, or \$2.83 per diluted common share, compared with non-GAAP operating loss of \$54.2 million, or \$0.63 per diluted common share, in the third quarter of 2017;
- Higher adverse prior year loss development of \$210.4 million in the AmTrust Reinsurance segment compared to \$61.1 million of adverse prior year loss development for the same period in 2017;
- Higher net premiums earned in both operating segments totaled \$520.1 million in the aggregate compared to \$457.3 million of net premiums earned in the same period in 2017;
- Combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> of 150.7% compared to 115.6% in the third quarter of 2017;
- The announced sale of the U.S. reinsurance treaty operations resulted in an impairment loss of \$74.2 million as the Company wrote off the remaining goodwill and intangible assets which is presented in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income as part of the loss from discontinued operations; and
- Book value per common share<sup>(1)</sup> was \$3.71 at September 30, 2018, which includes a loss of \$1.40 per share from Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income ("AOCI"), compared to book value per common share of \$7.71 at June 30, 2018.

#### Highlights for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018

- Net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$301.0 million, or \$3.62 per diluted common share, compared with a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$65.5 million, or \$0.76 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2017;
- Non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> of \$256.4 million, or \$3.09 per diluted common share, compared with non-GAAP operating loss of \$39.9 million, or \$0.46 per diluted common share, in the first nine months of 2017;
- Higher adverse prior year loss development for the AmTrust Reinsurance segment of \$247.3 million compared to \$100.9 million for the same period in 2017;
- Higher net premiums earned in both operating segments totaled \$1.54 billion in the aggregate compared to \$1.51 billion of net premiums earned in the same period in 2017; and
- Combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> of 120.7% compared to 106.3% in the first nine months of 2017.

PEMBROKE, Bermuda, November 9, 2018 - Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (NASDAQ: MHLD) ("Maiden" or "the Company") today reported third quarter 2018 net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$308.8 million or \$3.72 per diluted common share compared to a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$63.6 million or \$0.74 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2017. The non-GAAP operating loss (11) was \$235.1 million, or \$2.83 per diluted common share compared with a non-GAAP operating loss of \$54.2 million, or \$0.63 per diluted common share in the third quarter of 2017.

#### **Loss Portfolio Transfer**

The Company also announced that it has signed an agreement with Enstar Group Limited ("Enstar") by which one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries will enter into a retrocession agreement to effect a loss portfolio transfer in which the Enstar entity would assume loss reserves of approximately \$2.675 billion associated with quota share reinsurance contracts that Maiden's wholly-owned subsidiary, Maiden Reinsurance Ltd., ("Maiden Bermuda") has with AmTrust Financial Services, Inc. or its subsidiaries ("AmTrust"). The retrocession will apply to losses arising and/or claims made on or prior to June 30, 2018, and loss reserves assumed will be subject to adjustment for paid losses since such date. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and other closing conditions.

Both of the Company's current quota share reinsurance contracts with AmTrust remain in-force. As previously disclosed, the Company and AmTrust have mutually agreed to extend the notice period of non-renewal for the current Master Agreement until January 31, 2019.

Commenting on the Company's results and announced transaction with Enstar, Maiden's President and Chief Executive Officer, Lawrence F. Metz said, "Since late August, we have witnessed significant progress in the execution of the Company's strategic review and our announcement today with Enstar materially advances our work and significantly strengthens our financial position. During that time, we announced the sale of Maiden Reinsurance North America, Inc. to Enstar for net proceeds of \$307.5 million subject to closing adjustments, executed a Renewal Rights Agreement with Transatlantic Reinsurance Company for net proceeds of \$7.5 million and subject to further increases, and sold our U.S. casualty facultative reinsurance team to Sompo Group. While there is still work to do, we believe that much has been accomplished, and we remain committed to completing our strategic review process and to taking the actions necessary to further enhance value to all our shareholders."

Patrick J. Haveron, Maiden's Chief Financial and Operating Officer added, "During the third quarter, we also took the opportunity to materially strengthen our carried loss reserves and position Maiden for profitable future results. Our announcement today with Enstar brings additional certainty and finality to the steps we have taken. Upon completion of all of the strategic transactions announced since August, Maiden's capital position will be dramatically stronger. These measures will afford us significant flexibility to manage our capital to further increase shareholder value and combined with the significant and on-going expense reduction implemented in the third quarter, we anticipate an improved outlook for Maiden as 2018 heads to its final quarter and into 2019."

Consolidated Results for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018

In the third quarter of 2018, gross premiums written increased to \$484.5 million from \$443.0 million in the third quarter of 2017. Net premiums written totaled \$482.8 million in the third quarter of 2018, an increase of 11.6% compared to \$432.7 million in the third quarter of 2017. Net premiums earned were \$520.1 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$457.3 million in the third quarter of 2017, representing an increase of 13.7%.

In the third quarter of 2018, net loss and loss adjustment expenses increased to \$600.3 million compared to \$370.8 million in the third quarter of 2017 due primarily to higher adverse prior year loss development for the AmTrust Reinsurance segment which was \$210.4 million for the third quarter of 2018. The loss ratio (6) in the third quarter of 2018 was 115.0% compared to 80.6% reported in the third quarter of 2017.

Commission and other acquisition expenses increased to \$167.6 million in the third quarter of 2018, compared to \$145.4 million in the third quarter of 2017 resulting in commission and other acquisition expense ratios of 32.1% and 31.6%, respectively. General and administrative expenses for the third quarter of 2018 totaled \$18.9 million compared to \$15.4 million in the third quarter of 2017 primarily due to increases in compensation benefits paid, greater corporate insurance costs incurred and higher technology-related expenses. The general and administrative expense ratio<sup>(8)</sup> in the third quarter of 2018 increased to 3.6% compared to 3.4% in the third quarter of 2017, while the expense ratio<sup>(9)</sup> was 35.7% in the third quarter of 2018 compared with 35.0% in the same quarter last year.

The combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> for the third quarter of 2018 totaled 150.7% compared with 115.6% in the third quarter of 2017.

Net investment income increased by 11.2% in the quarter to \$34.4 million from \$31.0 million in the same period last year. As of September 30, 2018, the average yield on the fixed income portfolio including discontinued operations was 3.17% while the average duration of investable assets was 4.3 years.

#### **Reportable Segments**

As a result of the strategic decision to divest all of the Company's U.S. treaty reinsurance operations, the Company has revised the composition of its reportable segments to include: (i) Diversified Reinsurance which consists of a portfolio of property and casualty reinsurance focusing on regional and specialty property and casualty insurance companies located primarily in Europe; and (ii) AmTrust Reinsurance which includes all business ceded to our wholly owned subsidiary, Maiden Bermuda, from AmTrust and its subsidiaries (primarily the AmTrust Quota Share and the European Hospital Liability Quota Share). In addition to these reportable segments, the results of operations of the former National General Holdings Corporation Quota Share segment is included in the "Other" category. All prior periods presented have been reclassified to conform to this new presentation.

	Diversified Reinsurance			
(\$ in thousands)		Am	Trust Reinsurance	Total
Total assets – reportable segments	180,676	\$	4,297,992	\$ 4,478,668
Corporate assets				442,347
Assets held for sale				1,615,486
Total Assets \$	180,676	\$	4,297,992	\$ 6,536,501

#### **Diversified Reinsurance Segment**

	For the Three Months Ended Sept. 30,				
(\$ in thousands)		2018		2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$	31,699	\$	22,982	37.9 %
Net premiums written	\$	31,291	\$	22,484	39.2 %
Net premiums earned	\$	28,784	\$	20,925	37.6 %
Underwriting Ratios					% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		64.5 %	)	59.7 %	4.8
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		29.2 %		28.6 %	0.6
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		13.9 %		17.8 %	(3.90)
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		43.1 %	)	46.4 %	
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		107.6 %		106.1 %	1.5

Gross premiums written and net premiums written increased by 37.9% and 39.2%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2018 primarily due to new account growth and expansion of client relationships in our European capital solutions business and growth in German auto programs. Net premiums earned increased by 37.6% in the third quarter of 2018 driven by new client development and favorable growth in the German auto program. The net loss and LAE ratio increased by 4.8 points compared to the same period in 2017 due to higher initial loss ratios on current year premiums earned during the period partially offset by lower adverse prior year loss development which was \$0.7 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$1.1 million for the same period in 2017. The segment's combined ratio increased by 1.5 points to 107.6% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 106.1% in the same period last year due primarily to higher initial loss ratios on current year premiums earned during the period partially offset by lower adverse prior year loss development.

# **AmTrust Reinsurance Segment**

	For the Three Months Ended Sept. 30,				
(\$ in thousands)		2018		2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$	452,795	\$	420,019	7.8 %
Net premiums written	\$	451,515	\$	410,193	10.1 %
Net premiums earned	\$	491,293	\$	436,353	12.6 %
Underwriting Ratios					% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		117.9 %		81.4 %	36.5
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		32.3 %		31.7 %	0.6
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		0.2 %		0.2 %	0.0
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		32.5 %		31.9 %	0.6
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		150.4 %		113.3 %	37.1

Gross premiums written and net premiums written increased 7.8% and 10.1%, respectively, during the third quarter of 2018 generated by growth in the Specialty lines of business partially offset by reductions in Small Commercial Business. Net premiums earned in the segment increased by 12.6% compared to the same period in 2017 mainly due to the growth in net premiums written in the Specialty lines of the AmTrust quota share. The Net loss and LAE ratio increased by 36.5 points due to higher adverse prior year loss development which was \$210.4 million for the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$61.1 million for the same period in 2017. The 2018 development was largely from Workers Compensation, which represented nearly half of the adverse development, and was primarily driven by accident years 2014 to 2017, and to a lesser extent, development in European hospital liability, Commercial Auto and General Liability. This compares to \$61.1 million of adverse development for the third quarter of 2017 primarily due to Worker's

Compensation, General liability as well as Commercial Auto liability lines for both Specialty Programs and Small Commercial Business where elevated loss activity had been observed. The segment combined ratio increased by 37.1 points to 150.4% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 113.3% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to higher adverse prior year loss development and higher initial loss ratios for current year premiums earned as well as elevated actual current year activity in the Specialty Risk and Extended Warranty lines.

## **Consolidated Results for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018**

The net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders was \$301.0 million or \$3.62 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2018 compared to a net loss attributable to Maiden common shareholders of \$65.5 million or \$0.76 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2017. The non-GAAP operating loss<sup>(11)</sup> for the first nine months of 2018 was \$256.4 million, or \$3.09 per diluted common share compared with a non-GAAP operating loss of \$39.9 million, or \$0.46 per diluted common share in the first nine months of 2017.

For the first nine months of 2018, gross premiums written were \$1.63 billion compared to \$1.65 billion for the first nine months of 2017. Net premiums written totaled \$1.63 billion in the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$1.60 billion for the same period in 2017. Net premiums earned were \$1.54 billion in the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$1.51 billion for the same period in 2017.

Net loss and loss adjustment expenses of \$1.32 billion compared to \$1.09 billion for the first nine months of 2017. The loss ratio<sup>(6)</sup> for the first nine months of 2018 was 85.5% compared to 71.7% reported for the same period in 2017.

Commission and other acquisition expenses were \$497.0 million for the first nine months of 2018, compared to \$487.8 million for the first nine months of 2017 resulting in a commission and other acquisition expense ratio of 32.1% which was unchanged from the prior year. General and administrative expenses for the first nine months of 2018 totaled \$48.3 million compared with \$38.2 million in the first nine months of 2017 primarily due to higher compensation benefits paid, higher audit and legal fees and higher technology-related expenses. The general and administrative expense ratio<sup>(8)</sup> in the first nine months of 2018 was 3.1% compared to 2.5% in the same period in 2017, while the expense ratio<sup>(9)</sup> was 35.2% in the first nine months of 2018 compared with 34.6% in the same period last year.

The combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> for the first nine months of 2018 totaled 120.7% compared with 106.3% in the first nine months of 2017.

Net investment income was \$101.5 million during the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$91.6 million in the first nine months of 2017.

### **Diversified Reinsurance Segment**

	For the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,			
(\$ in thousands)		2018	2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$x	111,139	\$ 75,085	48.0 %
Net premiums written	\$	109,279	\$ 73,434	48.8 %
Net premiums earned	\$	82,838	\$ 61,626	34.4 %
Underwriting Ratios				% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		57.3 %	59.8 %	(2.50)
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		31.3 %	 31.7 %	(0.40)
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		14.7 %	17.0 %	(2.30)
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		46.0 %	48.7 %	(2.70)
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		103.3 %	108.5 %	(5.20)

Gross premiums written and net premiums written increased by 48.0% and 48.8%, respectively, for the first nine months due to new account growth and expansion of the German Auto program and other client relationships in our European capital solutions business as well as new business development in the Life and General lines. Net premiums earned increased by 34.4% largely driven by new client development and favorable growth in German auto programs. The segment's net loss and LAE ratio decreased by 2.5 points due to lower adverse prior year loss development of \$1.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to \$8.5 million for the same period in 2017. The 2018 development was due to adverse facultative reinsurance run-off partially offset by favorable development in International Auto. The development in 2017 was primarily due to adverse development in facultative reinsurance run-off lines as well as claims activity in International auto programs. The segment's combined ratio decreased by 5.2 points to 103.3% for the first nine months of 2018 compared to 108.5% in 2017 primarily due to lower net adverse development compared to the same period in 2017.

## **AmTrust Reinsurance Segment**

	For the Nine Months Ended Sept. 30,				
(\$ in thousands)		2018		2017	Change in (%)
Gross premiums written	\$	1,518,208	\$	1,575,677	(3.60) %
Net premiums written	\$	1,517,206	\$	1,529,980	(0.80) %
Net premiums earned	\$	1,458,440	\$	1,450,811	0.5 %
Underwriting Ratios					% Point Change
Net loss and LAE ratio <sup>(6)</sup>		87.1 %		72.2 %	14.9
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>		32.1 %		32.1 %	0.0
General and administrative expense ratio <sup>(8)</sup>		0.2 %		0.1 %	0.1
Expense ratio <sup>(9)</sup>		32.3 %		32.2 %	
Combined ratio <sup>(10)</sup>		119.4 %		104.4 %	15.0

Gross premiums written and net premiums written decreased by 3.6% and 0.8%, respectively, during the first nine months of 2018 which mainly reflects reductions in the Small Commercial Business lines combined with growth in Specialty Program, Specialty Risk and Extended Warranty. Net premiums earned in the segment increased by 0.5% compared to the same period in 2017 mainly due to growth in net premiums written on the Specialty lines within the AmTrust quota share. The Net loss and LAE ratio increased by 14.9 points due higher adverse prior year loss development of \$247.3 million for the first nine months of 2018 largely from Workers Compensation and European Hospital liability, with a smaller contribution from General and Commercial Auto liability. This compares to adverse prior year loss development of \$100.9 million for the first nine months of 2017 which was primarily related to General liability as well as Auto liability and Workers Compensation lines for both Specialty Programs and Small Commercial Business. The segment combined ratio increased by 15.0 points to 119.4% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 104.4% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to a higher amount of adverse prior year loss development.

## **Other Financial Matters**

- Total assets were \$6.5 billion at September 30, 2018 compared to \$6.7 billion at June 30, 2018. Shareholders' equity was \$772.6 million at September 30, 2018 compared to \$1.1 billion at June 30, 2018.
- Book value per common share<sup>(1)</sup> was \$3.71 at September 30, 2018 compared to \$7.71 at June 30, 2018. In the third quarter of 2018, the Company recognized unrealized losses in its fixed income investment portfolio of

\$23.9 million, resulting in a \$0.29 decrease in book value per share, and total AOCI of \$116.4 million at September 30, 2018. Book value per common share excluding total AOCI was \$5.11 at September 30, 2018 compared to \$9.08 at December 31, 2017.

(1)(11) Please see the Non-GAAP Financial Measures table for additional information on these non-GAAP financial measures and reconciliation of these measures to GAAP measures.

(6)(7)(8)(9)(10) Loss ratio, commission and other acquisition expense ratio, general and administrative expense ratio, expense ratio and combined ratio are non-GAAP operating metrics. Please see the additional information on these measures under Non-GAAP Financial Measures tables.

## About Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company formed in 2007. Through its subsidiaries, which are each rated A- (excellent) by A.M. As of September 30, 2018, Maiden had \$6.5 billion in assets and shareholders' equity of \$772.6 million.

#### Forward Looking Statements

This release contains "forward-looking statements" which are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The forward-looking statements are based on the Company's current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on the Company. There can be no assurance that actual developments will be those anticipated by the Company. Actual results may differ materially from those projected as a result of significant risks and uncertainties, including non-receipt of the expected payments, changes in interest rates, effect of the performance of financial markets on investment income and fair values of investments, developments of claims and the effect on loss reserves, accuracy in projecting loss reserves, the impact of competition and pricing environments, changes in the demand for the Company's products, the effect of general economic conditions and unusual frequency of storm activity, adverse state and federal legislation, regulations and regulatory investigations into industry practices, developments relating to existing agreements, heightened competition, changes in pricing environments, and changes in asset valuations. In addition, the Company may not be able to complete the proposed transaction with Enstar on the terms summarized above or other acceptable terms, or at all, due to a number of factors, including but not limited to failure to obtain governmental and regulatory approvals or to satisfy other closing conditions. Additional information about these risks and uncertainties, as well as others that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected is contained in Item 1A. Risk Factors in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 as updated in periodic filings with the SEC. However these factors should not be construed as exhaustive. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement that may be made from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as required by law.

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