#### 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): (August 8, 2012)

**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.)

#### 131 Front Street, Hamilton HM12, Bermuda

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(441) 298-4900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

# Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 7, 2012, Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2012. 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 8.01 Other Events.

On August 7, 2012, Maiden Holdings, Ltd. also issued a press release announcing a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.08 per share of common stock payable on October 15, 2012 to shareholders of record as of October 1, 2012. A copy of the press release is hereby filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d)	Exhibits
Exhibit <u>No.</u>	Description
99.1	Press Release of Maiden Holdings, Ltd., dated August 7, 2012.
99.2	Press Release of Maiden Holdings, Ltd., dated August 7, 2012.

#### 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: August 8, 2012

#### MAIDEN HOLDINGS, LTD.

By: /s/ Lawrence F. Metz

Lawrence F. Metz Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

# EXHIBIT INDEX

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# Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Reports Second Quarter 2012 Operating Earnings<sup>(1)</sup> of \$19.7 million or \$0.27 per Diluted Share and Net Income of \$14.5 million or \$0.20 per Diluted Share

# Second Quarter 2012 Highlights

- Book Value per Share<sup>(4)</sup> of \$11.41, up 7.2% versus year-end 2011 and up 1.7% versus March 31, 2012
- Annualized operating return on equity<sup>(1)</sup> of 9.7% compared to 5.9% in the second quarter last year
- Net operating earnings <sup>(1)</sup> of \$19.7 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share compared with \$11.2 million, or \$0.15 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2011
- Total investments increased 8.8% in the second quarter of 2012 to \$2.4 billion
- Net investment income rose to \$20.1 million or an increase of 1.3% compared to the second quarter of 2011
- Net premiums written decreased 5.7% to \$412.0 million versus the same period last year; excluding one-time \$45.9 million unearned
- premium transfer in the second quarter of 2011, net premiums written increased 5.4%
- Combined ratio of 97.9% compared to 99.8% in the second quarter of 2011

HAMILTON, Bermuda - Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (Nasdaq: MHLD) today reported second quarter 2012 net operating earnings<sup>(1)</sup> of \$19.7 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share compared with \$11.2 million, or \$0.15 per diluted share in the comparative quarter in 2011. Net income totaled \$14.5 million, or \$0.20 per diluted share compared with a net loss of \$24.4 million or a loss of \$0.34 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2011.

Commenting on the Company's earnings, Art Raschbaum, Chief Executive Officer of Maiden Holdings, said: "The first half of 2012 further validates Maiden's lower volatility business model, as we continue to support the non-catastrophe reinsurance needs of regional and specialty insurers. Prudent risk selection benefited our results, which were not adversely impacted by the widespread severe weather activity in the U.S. and Europe during the second quarter. Investment income increased along with growth in our invested assets as we found opportunities to put cash to work without significantly extending duration or dampening the high credit quality of our investment portfolio. On the underwriting side, we are receiving indications from clients of rate increases in lines of business such as workers' compensation, personal auto, commercial auto and homeowners. As anticipated, premium growth has moderated, largely reflecting the impact of a non-recurring unearned premium transfer in the second quarter of 2011 and historical seasonality, but our year to date written premium growth remains robust."

## Results for the three months ended June 30, 2012

Net operating earnings<sup>(1)</sup> for the second quarter of 2012 were \$19.7 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share compared with \$11.2 million, or \$0.15 per diluted share in the comparative quarter in 2011. Net income was \$14.5 million, or \$0.20 per diluted share compared with a net loss of \$24.4 million or a loss of \$0.34 per diluted share in the second quarter of 2011. In the comparative second quarter of 2011, Maiden's net income was impacted by a number of non-operating expenses, including charges related to the repurchase of junior subordinated debt with proceeds from the June 2011 Senior Notes offering. Second quarter 2011 results included \$15.1 million of junior subordinated debt repurchase expenses and \$20.3 million of accelerated amortization of subordinated debt discount and issuance costs. The comparative 2011 financial results were also impacted by \$9.5 million in losses related to thunderstorm and tornado activity across the U.S. in the second quarter, net of the Company's quarterly provisions for normalized catastrophe activity.

Net premiums written of \$412.0 million in the second quarter of 2012 decreased 5.7% compared to the second quarter of 2011. The second quarter of 2011 included a one-time unearned premium transfer of \$45.9 million associated with the AmTrust European hospital liability program. Absent that transfer, year on year net written premium increased 5.4% or \$20.9 million. By segment, the Diversified Reinsurance segment net premiums written decreased by 8.9% versus the second quarter of 2011; the AmTrust Quota Share Reinsurance segment net premiums written decreased by 9.6% compared to the second quarter of 2011 (excluding the impact of the one-time unearned premium transfer of \$45.9 million, the net premiums written in the AmTrust Quota Share Reinsurance segment would have increased 14.7% compared to the second quarter of 2011); net premiums written from the ACAC Quota Share increased by 15.8% to \$72.4 million compared to the same period in 2011.

Net premiums earned of \$437.1 million increased 18.9%, or \$69.3 million compared to the second quarter of 2011. Earned premiums increased across all business segments with Diversified Reinsurance up 16.9%, AmTrust Quota Share Reinsurance up 23.1% and ACAC Quota Share up 14.7%.

Net investment income of \$20.1 million increased 1.3% compared to the second quarter of 2011. Compared to the first quarter of 2012, net investment income increased 8.9% as the Company was able to deploy its cash position which had grown to \$273.8 million at the end of the first quarter of 2012 due to cash generated from the business and \$96.6 million in proceeds from the

issuance of 30 year 8.0% senior notes at the end of the first quarter. Total investments increased \$372.9 million to \$2.4 billion or 18.4% versus December 31, 2011. The average yield on the fixed income portfolio (excluding cash) is 3.74% with an average duration of 3.40 years.

Net loss and loss adjustment expenses of \$300.4 million were up \$49.8 million compared to the second quarter of 2011. The loss ratio<sup>(7)</sup> increased by 0.7 percentage points to 68.4% versus the second quarter of 2011.

Commission and other acquisition expenses together with general and administrative expenses of \$129.9 million increased \$11.2 million from the year ago quarter, while the total expense ratio improved to 29.5% in the second quarter of 2012 compared with 32.1% in the same quarter last year. General and administrative expenses for the quarter totaled \$15.2 million compared with \$12.8 million in the second quarter of 2011. The general and administrative expense ratio<sup>(9)</sup> improved to 3.4% compared to 3.5% in the second quarter of 2011.

The combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> for the second quarter totaled 97.9% compared with 99.8% in the second quarter of 2011. Maiden's underwriting margins in the second quarter of 2011 were impacted by the unprecedented frequency and severity of storms which exceeded Maiden's quarterly provision for normalized catastrophe losses by \$9.5 million.

The impact of the updated accounting guidance issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board which limits the capitalization of costs incurred to acquire or renew insurance contracts to those that are incremental direct costs of successful contract acquisitions was to decrease second quarter 2012 earnings by approximately \$0.8 million or \$0.01 per diluted share. The impact on the Company's combined ratio was an increase of approximately 0.2%.

Total assets increased 10.5% to \$3.8 billion compared to \$3.4 billion at year-end 2011. Total cash on hand at June 30, 2012, was \$143.3 million, comprised of cash and cash equivalents of \$58.9 million, down 68.7% from the end of 2011, and restricted cash and cash equivalents of \$84.4 million, a decrease of 26.5% versus year-end of 2011. Shareholders' equity was \$824.3 million, an increase of 7.2% compared to December 31, 2011. Book value per share was \$11.41 at the end of the second quarter of 2012 or 7.2% higher than at December 31, 2011.

During the second quarter of 2012, the Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.08 per share.

## Results for the six months ended June 30, 2012

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2012 was \$34.9 million compared to a net loss of \$5.0 million in the first half of 2011. Net operating earnings<sup>(1)</sup> were \$39.1 million, or \$0.53 per diluted share compared to \$31.0 million or \$0.43 per diluted share in the first six months of 2011. Year-to-date annualized operating return on equity<sup>(1)</sup> was 9.9% compared to 8.3% for the first half of last year.

Net premiums written rose 13.1% or \$116.3 million to \$1.0 billion in the first half of 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. The Diversified Reinsurance segment increased 3.7%. The AmTrust Quota Share Reinsurance segment was up 22.9%. Net premiums written for the ACAC Quota Share rose 17.7% compared to the first six months of 2011.

Net premiums earned of \$875.6 million increased 22.6% or \$161.3 million compared to the first half of 2011. Earned premiums grew in all business segments with Diversified Reinsurance up 17.1%, AmTrust Quota Share Reinsurance up 33.9% and ACAC Quota Share up 14.5%.

Net investment income of \$38.5 million was down 1.1% compared to the same period in 2011. This reflects the decrease in book yield (excluding cash) to 3.74% from 3.98% at the end of June 2011, which was mostly offset by the \$493 million increase in total investments.

Net loss and loss adjustment expenses of \$588.4 million were up \$116.6 million. The loss ratio<sup>(7)</sup> increased 1.3 percentage points to 66.7% versus the first six months of 2011.

Commission and other acquisition expenses together with general and administrative expenses of \$276.0 million increased \$37.9 million compared to the first half of 2011 and reflected a total expense ratio of 31.2% compared with 33.0%. General and administrative expenses for the first six months of 2012 totaled \$29.0 million compared with \$25.1 million in the first half of 2011. These results reflected a general and administrative expense ratio<sup>(9)</sup> of 3.2% in the first six months of 2012 and 3.5% in the comparative period last year.

The combined ratio<sup>(10)</sup> for the first half of 2012 was 97.9% versus 98.4% for the first half of last year.

## **Conference Call**

Maiden's CEO Art Raschbaum and CFO John Marshaleck will review the second quarter 2012 results tomorrow morning via teleconference and live audio webcast beginning at 8:30 a.m. EDT.

To participate in the conference call, please access one of the following no later than 8:25 a.m. EDT: U.S.Callers: 1.877.734.5373 Outside U.S. Callers: 1.973.200.3059 Passcode: 11200846 Webcast: http://www.maiden.bm/presentations\_conferences

A replay of the conference call will be available beginning 11:00 a.m. EDT on August 8, 2012 through midnight on August 15, 2012. To listen to the replay, please dial toll free: 1.800.585.8367 (U.S. Callers) or toll: 1.404.537.3406 (callers outside the U.S.) and enter the Passcode: 11200846 ; or access http://www.maiden.bm/presentations\_conferences

# About Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company formed in 2007. Through its subsidiaries, which are each A- rated (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 June 30, 2012, Maiden had \$3.8 billion in assets and shareholders' equity of \$824.3 million.

The Maiden Holdings, Ltd. logo is available at http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=5006

(1)(4) 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.

(7)(9)(10) Loss ratio and combined ratio are operating metrics. Please see the additional information on these measures under Segment information tables.

#### **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. 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, 2011 as updated in periodic filings with the SEC. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, except as may be required by law.

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## Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Balance Sheet (in thousands (000's), except per share data)

	Jı	une 30, 2012	December 31, 2011		
ASSETS	(	Unaudited)		(Audited)	
Investments:					
Fixed maturities, available for sale, at fair value ( <i>Amortized cost 2012: \$2,299,444; 2011: \$1,957,106</i> )	\$	2,393,035	\$	2,020,661	
Other investments, at fair value (Cost 2012: \$2,408; 2011: \$1,955)		2,697		2,192	
Total investments		2,395,732		2,022,853	
Cash and cash equivalents		58,930		188,082	
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		84,417		114,895	
Accrued investment income		18,512		13,215	
Reinsurance balances receivable, net		495,714		423,355	
Funds withheld		42,815		42,605	
Prepaid reinsurance premiums		44,437		35,381	
Reinsurance recoverable on unpaid losses		46,659		20,289	
Loan to related party		167,975		167,975	
Deferred commission and other acquisition costs		270,024		248,436	
Goodwill and intangible assets, net		96,574		98,755	
Other assets		30,930		19,270	
Total assets	\$	3,752,719	\$	3,395,111	
LIABILITIES					
Reserve for loss and loss adjustment expenses	\$	1,522,770	\$	1,398,438	
Unearned premiums		974,277		832,047	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		97,165		161,883	
Senior notes		207,500		107,500	
Junior subordinated debt		126,289		126,263	
Total liabilities		2,928,001		2,626,131	
Commitments and Contingencies					
EQUITY					
Common shares		732		732	
Additional paid-in capital		579,818		579,004	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		95,558		64,059	
Retained earnings		152,005		128,648	
Treasury shares, at cost		(3,801)		(3,801)	
Total Maiden shareholders' equity		824,312		768,642	
Noncontrolling interest in subsidiaries		406		338	
Total equity		824,718		768,980	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	3,752,719	\$	3,395,111	
Book value per share (4)	\$	11.41	\$	10.64	
Common shares outstanding		72,261,582		72,221,428	
common shares outstanding		/ 2,201,302		/ 2,221,420	

#### Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Income Statement (in thousands (000's), except per share data) (Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,					For the Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2012		2011		2012		2011		
Revenues:										
Gross premiums written	\$	445,228	\$	462,395	\$	1,058,440	\$	933,172		
Net premiums written		411,960		436,966		1,002,793		886,466		
Change in unearned premiums	_	25,156		(69,183)		(127,181)		(172,148)		
Net premiums earned		437,116		367,783		875,612		714,318		
Other insurance revenue		2,274		2,179		7,028		6,834		
Net investment income		20,085		19,818		38,522		38,959		
Net realized and unrealized investment (losses) gains		(2,939)		591		(1,574)		638		
Total revenues		456,536		390,371		919,588		760,749		
Expenses:										
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses		300,435		250,599		588,352		471,781		
Commission and other acquisition expenses		114,663		105,824		246,921		212,896		
General and administrative expenses		15,208		12,839		29,039		25,132		
Total expenses		430,306		369,262		864,312		709,809		
Income from operations (2)		26,230		21,109		55,276		50,940		
Other expenses										
Interest and amortization expenses		9,568		9,292		17,246		18,410		
Accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost		_		20,313		_		20,313		
Junior subordinated debt repurchase expense		_		15,050		_		15,050		
Amortization of intangible assets		1,091		1,259		2,181		2,517		
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		874		(939)		(105)		(2,001)		
Total other expenses	-	11,533		44,975		19,322		54,289		
	_	11,000				10,022		54,205		
Income (loss) before income taxes		14,697		(23,866)		35,954		(3,349)		
Income taxes:										
Current tax (benefit) expense		(155)		211		483		1,096		
Deferred tax expense		246		295		487		582		
Income tax expense		91		506		970		1,678		
Net income (loss)		14,606		(24,372)		34,984		(5,027)		
Less: (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interest		(65)		6		(66)		3		
Net income (loss) attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	14,541	\$	(24,366)	\$	34,918	\$	(5,024)		
Net operating earnings attributable to Maiden shareholders (1)	\$	19,691	\$	11,204	\$	39,055	\$	30,982		
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Basic earnings (loss) per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	0.20	\$	(0.34)	\$	0.48	\$	(0.07)		
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share			_							
attributable to Maiden shareholders (6) Basic operating earnings per common share	\$	0.20	\$	(0.34)	\$	0.48	\$	(0.07)		
attributable to Maiden shareholders Diluted operating earnings per common share	\$	0.27	\$	0.16	\$	0.54	\$	0.43		
attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	0.27	\$	0.15	\$	0.53	\$	0.43		

Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.07	\$	0.16	\$	0.14
Weighted average number of basic shares outstanding	72,258,550	72,118,315	72	,242,440	72	,112,785
Weighted average number of diluted shares outstanding	73,040,926	72,945,339	73	,063,659	72	,863,494
Net loss and loss adjustment expense ratio (7)	68.4%	67.7 %		66.7%		65.4 %
Commission and other acquisition expense ratio (8)	26.1%	28.6 %		28.0%		29.5 %
General and administrative expense ratio (9)	3.4%	3.5 %		3.2%		3.5 %
Combined ratio (10)	97.9%	99.8 %		97.9%		98.4 %
Annualized return on equity	 7.2%	 (12.8)%		8.8%		(1.3)%
Annualized return on equity on operating earnings	9.7%	5.9 %		9.9%		8.3 %

# Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

# Non - GAAP Financial Measure

(in thousands (000's), except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,			Fo	r the Six Mon 30	ths Ended June ,		
		2012		2011		2012		2011
Reconciliation of net income (loss) to net operating earnings:								
Net income (loss) attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	14,541	\$	(24,366)	\$	34,918	\$	(5,024)
Add (subtract)								
Net realized and unrealized investment losses (gains)		2,939		(591)		1,574		(638)
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		874		(939)		(105)		(2,001)
Amortization of intangible assets		1,091		1,259		2,181		2,517
Junior subordinated debt repurchase expense		_		15,050		_		15,050
Accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost		_		20,313		_		20,313
Non-recurring general and administrative expenses relating to IIS Acquisition				183				183
Non-cash deferred tax charge		246		295		487		582
Net operating earnings attributable to Maiden shareholders (1)	\$	19,691	\$	11,204	\$	39,055	\$	30,982
Operating earnings per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders:								
Basic earnings per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	0.27	\$	0.16	\$	0.54	\$	0.43
Diluted earnings per common share attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	0.27	\$	0.15	\$	0.53	\$	0.43
Reconciliation of net income (loss) to income from operations:								
Net income (loss) attributable to Maiden shareholders	\$	14,541	\$	(24,366)	\$	34,918	\$	(5,024)
Add (subtract)								
Foreign exchange losses (gains)		874		(939)		(105)		(2,001)
Amortization of intangible assets		1,091		1,259		2,181		2,517
Interest and amortization expenses		9,568		9,292		17,246		18,410
Junior subordinated debt repurchase expense		—		15,050		—		15,050
Accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost		_		20,313		_		20,313
Income tax expense		91		506		970		1,678
Income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest		65		(6)		66		(3)
Income from operations (2)	\$	26,230	\$	21,109	\$	55,276	\$	50,940

	June 30, 2012	D	ecember 31, 2011
Investable assets:			
Total investments	\$ 2,395,732	\$	2,022,853
Cash and cash equivalents	58,930		188,082
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	84,417		114,895
Funds withheld (3)	28,952		29,783
Loan to related party	167,975		167,975
Total investable assets (3)	\$ 2,736,006	\$	2,523,588

	June 30, 2012	De	cember 31, 2011
Capital:			
Senior notes	\$ 207,500	\$	107,500
Junior subordinated debt	126,289		126,263
Total Maiden shareholders' equity	824,312		768,642
Total capital (5)	\$ 1,158,101	\$	1,002,405

(1) Net operating earnings is a non-GAAP financial measure defined by the Company as net income attributable to Maiden shareholders excluding realized and unrealized investment gains and losses, foreign exchange gains and losses, amortization of intangible assets, accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost, junior subordinated debt repurchase expense, non-recurring general and administrative expenses relating to acquisitions and non-cash deferred tax charge and should not be considered as an alternative to net income. The Company's management believes that net operating earnings is a useful indicator of trends in the Company's underlying operations. The Company's measure of net operating earnings may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

(2) Income from Operations is a non-GAAP financial measure defined by the Company as net income attributable to Maiden shareholders excluding foreign exchange gains and losses, amortization of intangible assets, interest and amortization expenses, accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost, junior subordinated debt repurchase expense, income tax expense and income or loss attributable to noncontrolling interest and should not be considered as an alternative to net income. The Company's management believes that 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 income from operations enables readers of this information to more clearly understand the essential operating results of the Company. The Company's measure of income from operations may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

(3) Investable assets is the total of the Company's investments, cash and cash equivalents, loan to a related party and the portion of the funds withheld balance that comprises fixed maturity securities and cash and cash equivalents.

(4) Calculated by dividing total Maiden shareholders' equity by total common shares outstanding.

(5) Capital is the total of the Company's senior notes, junior subordinated debt and shareholders' equity.

(6) 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.

# Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information

(in thousands (000's))

# (Unaudited)

For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2012	Diversified Reinsurance		AmTrust Quota Share Reinsurance		ACAC Quota Share		Total
Net premiums written	\$	143,981	\$	195,629	\$	72,350	\$ 411,960
Net premiums earned	\$	199,130	\$	167,816	\$	70,170	\$ 437,116
Other insurance revenue		2,274		—		—	2,274
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses		(138,420)		(116,755)		(45,260)	(300,435)
Commission and other acquisition expenses		(47,945)		(44,590)		(22,128)	(114,663)
General and administrative expenses		(12,145)		(530)		(194)	(12,869)
Underwriting income	\$	2,894	\$	5,941	\$	2,588	\$ 11,423
Reconciliation to net income attributable to Maiden shareholders							
Net investment income and realized losses on investment							17,146
Amortization of intangible assets							(1,091)
Foreign exchange losses							(874)
Interest and amortization expenses							(9,568)
Other general and administrative expenses							(2,339)
Income tax expense							(91)
Income attributable to noncontrolling interest							(65)
Net income attributable to Maiden shareholders							\$ 14,541
Net loss and loss expense ratio (7)		68.7%		69.6%		64.5%	68.4%
Acquisition cost ratio (8)		23.8%		26.6%		31.5%	26.1%
General and administrative expense ratio (9)		6.1%		0.3%		0.3%	3.4%
Combined ratio (10)		98.6%		96.5%		96.3%	97.9%

For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2011		Diversified Reinsurance	nTrust Quota Share Reinsurance	C	ACAC Quota Share	Total
Net premiums written	\$	158,020	\$ 216,449	\$	62,497	\$ 436,966
Net premiums earned	\$	170,288	\$ 136,299	\$	61,196	\$ 367,783
Other insurance revenue		2,179	—		—	2,179
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses		(116,387)	(94,740)		(39,472)	(250,599)
Commission and other acquisition expenses		(48,257)	(38,116)		(19,451)	(105,824)
General and administrative expenses		(8,309)	(596)		(472)	(9,377)
Underwriting (loss) income	\$	(486)	\$ 2,847	\$	1,801	\$ 4,162
Reconciliation to net loss attributable to Maiden shareholders						
Net investment income and realized and unrealized gains on investment						20,409
Amortization of intangible assets						(1,259)
Foreign exchange gains						939
Interest and amortization expenses						(9,292)
Accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost						(20,313)
Junior subordinated debt repurchase expense						(15,050)
Other general and administrative expenses						(3,462)
Income tax expense						(506)
Loss attributable to noncontrolling interest						6
Net loss attributable to Maiden shareholders						\$ (24,366)
Net loss and loss expense ratio (7)		67.5%	69.5%		64.5%	67.7%
Acquisition cost ratio (8)		28.0%	28.0%		31.8%	28.6%
General and administrative expense ratio (9)	_	4.8%	0.4%		0.8%	3.5%
Combined ratio (10)		100.3%	 97.9%		97.1%	 99.8%

# Maiden Holdings, Ltd. Supplemental Financial Data - Segment Information (in thousands (000's)) (Unaudited)

For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2012	Diversified Reinsurance	nTrust Quota re Reinsurance	ACAC Quota Share		Total
Net premiums written	\$ 432,277	\$ 421,644	\$	148,872	\$ 1,002,793
Net premiums earned	\$ 403,593	\$ 335,695	\$	136,324	\$ 875,612
Other insurance revenue	7,028				7,028
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses	(270,812)	(229,611)		(87,929)	(588,352)
Commission and other acquisition expenses	(112,094)	(91,759)		(43,068)	(246,921)
General and administrative expenses	(22,593)	(909)		(367)	(23,869)
Underwriting income	\$ 5,122	\$ 13,416	\$	4,960	\$ 23,498
Reconciliation to net income attributable to Maiden shareholders					
Net investment income and realized losses on investment					36,948
Amortization of intangible assets					(2,181)
Foreign exchange gains					105
Interest and amortization expenses					(17,246)
Other general and administrative expenses					(5,170)
Income tax expense					(970)
Income attributable to noncontrolling interest					(66)
Net income attributable to Maiden shareholders					\$ 34,918
Net loss and loss expense ratio (7)	66.0%	68.4%		64.5%	66.7%
Acquisition cost ratio (8)	27.3%	27.3%		31.6%	28.0%
General and administrative expense ratio (9)	 5.5%	 0.3%		0.3%	 3.2%
Combined ratio (10)	98.8%	96.0%		96.4%	 97.9%

For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2011	Diversified Reinsurance	nTrust Quota Share Reinsurance	(	ACAC Quota Share	Total
Net premiums written	\$ 416,838	\$ 343,163	\$	126,465	\$ 886,466
Net premiums earned	\$ 344,522	\$ 250,773	\$	119,023	\$ 714,318
Other insurance revenue	6,834			—	6,834
Net loss and loss adjustment expenses	(226,732)	(168,279)		(76,770)	(471,781)
Commission and other acquisition expenses	(99,677)	(75,353)		(37,866)	(212,896)
General and administrative expenses	(16,337)	(1,264)		(1,015)	(18,616)
Underwriting income	\$ 8,610	\$ 5,877	\$	3,372	\$ 17,859
Reconciliation to net loss attributable to Maiden shareholders					
Net investment income and realized and unrealized gains on investment					39,597
Amortization of intangible assets					(2,517)
Foreign exchange gains					2,001
Interest and amortization expenses					(18,410)
Accelerated amortization of junior subordinated debt discount and issuance cost					(20,313)
Junior subordinated debt repurchase expense					(15,050)
Other general and administrative expenses					(6,516)
Income tax expense					(1,678)
Loss attributable to noncontrolling interest					3
Net loss attributable to Maiden shareholders					\$ (5,024)
Net loss and loss expense ratio (7)	64.5%	67.1%		64.5%	65.4%
Acquisition cost ratio (8)	28.4%	30.0%		31.8%	29.5%
General and administrative expense ratio (9)	 4.6%	 0.6%		0.9%	 3.5%
Combined ratio (10)	 97.5%	 97.7%		97.2%	 98.4%

(7) Calculated by dividing net loss and loss adjustment expenses by net premiums earned and other insurance revenue.(8) Calculated by dividing commission and other acquisition expenses by net premiums earned and other insurance revenue.(9) Calculated by dividing general and administrative expenses by net premiums earned and other insurance revenue.(10) Calculated by adding together net loss and loss expense ratio, acquisition cost ratio and general and administrative expense ratio.

#### Maiden Holdings Announces Quarterly Dividend

HAMILTON, Bermuda, August 7, 2012 -- Maiden Holdings, Ltd. (Nasdaq: MHLD) today announced that its Board of Directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.08 per share of common stock. The dividend will be payable on October 15, 2012 to shareholders of record as of October 1, 2012.

#### About Maiden Holdings, Ltd.

Maiden Holdings, Ltd. is a Bermuda-based holding company formed in 2007. Through its subsidiaries, which are each A- rated (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 June 30, 2012, Maiden had \$3.8 billion in assets and shareholders' equity of \$824.3 million.

The Maiden Holdings, Ltd. logo is available at http://www.globenewswire.com/newsroom/prs/?pkgid=5006

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