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An Overview of Securitisation for Capital Efficiency

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### ILS and Capital Efficiency

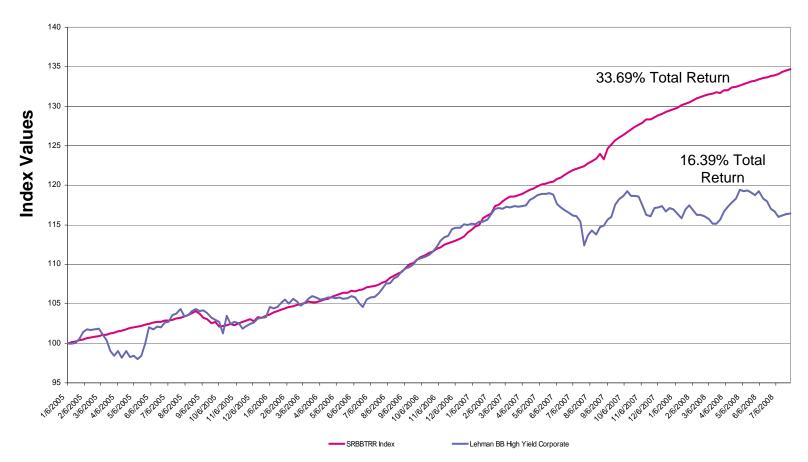
- Over the past 18 months, secondary spreads on hybrid capital have widened dramatically for financial institutions, including European insurance companies.
- Secondary market spreads for nonlife ILS have tightened over the same time period.
- Volatile hybrid capital spreads make ILS (and reinsurance) potentially more attractive.





# Relative Performance of ILS – vs. BB - Corporates

#### BB Performance from 1 January 2005 – 1 August 2008



"SRBB Cat Bond Index", calculated by Swiss Re Capital Markets, is an equally-weighted basket of nat cat BB-rated cat bonds tracked by Swiss Re Capital Markets, calculated on a weekly basis; past performance is no guarantee of future results

Underlying data for Lehman BB Index provided by Lehman Brothers

Underlying data for "SRBB Cat Bond Index" is based on indicative prices only





# Spread Tightening for Selected US Peril Cat Bonds

\*\*\* As of 06/06/08

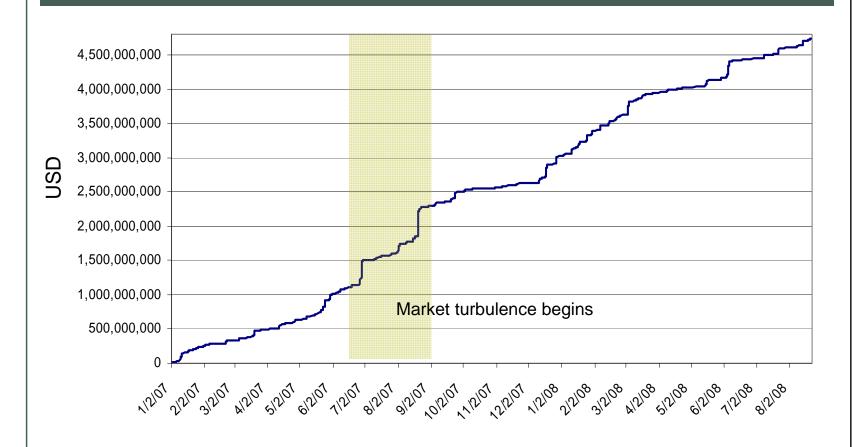
Issuer	Peril	Issuance Spread (bps)	Jul 31-08 Spread*	Spread Tightening (based on Issue)
US Wind A - May 2006	US Wind	8.50%	6.63%	-22%
US Wind B - June 2006	US Wind	7.00%	4.99%	-29%
US Wind C - November 2006	US Wind	6.75%	4.78%	-29%
US Earthquake A - June 2006	CAEQ	7.25%	6.40%***	-12%***
US Earthquake B - December 2006	CAEQ	6.75%	5.02%**	-26%**
US Earthquake C - December 2007	CAEQ	4.75%	4.27%	-10%
Bonds*  9.00%  Poc-06  Jan-07  Mar-07  May-07  May-08  May-08	Jul-07 - Jul	Oct-07 - Nov-07 - Nov-07 - Dec-07 - Dec-07 - Jan-08 - Jan-08 -	Feb-08- Mar-08- Apr-08- Apr-08- Apr-08- Apr-08- May-08-	May-08- Jun-08- Jun-08- Jul-08- Jul-08- Jul-08-
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— US Wind A — US V	Wind B — US Wind C	— US EQ A — US EQ B	US EQ C	

## Securitisation Market has Weathered Capital Market Turbulence

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Source: Swiss Re Capital Markets

<sup>\*</sup> Both Life and Nat Cat perils represented

#### ILS and Capital Efficiency

- ILS (and reinsurance) can complement equity and hybrid capital to create a more efficient capital structure.
- Potential impact of increased ILS usage:
  - Reduction in capital needs
  - Higher ROE
  - Potential for share buybacks or M&A
- Availability of ILS solutions will increase
  - As market players innovate
  - With the adoption and implementation of Solvency II



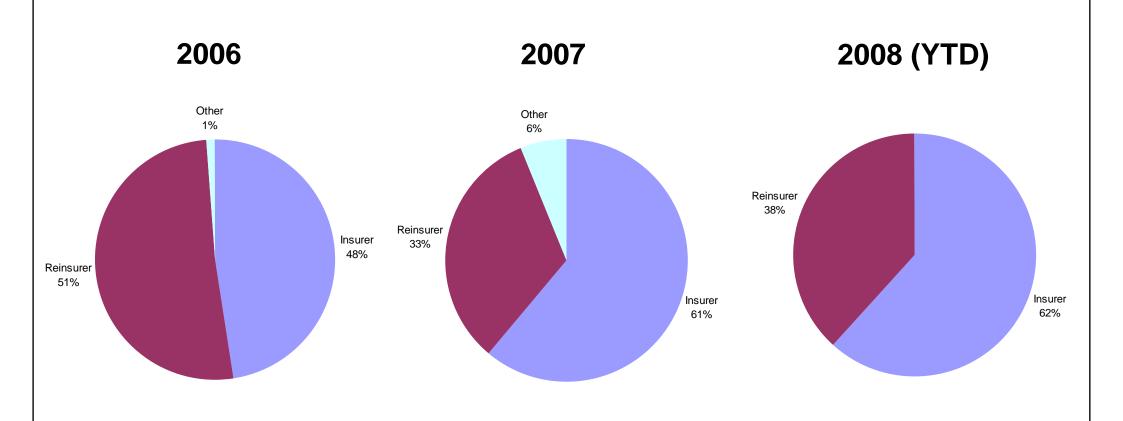
## Various Value Drivers for Insurance-Linked Securities

Short term	Long term
<ul> <li>Use ILS to create capital and increase capacity</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Impact on prices as a key driver for growth</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Accelerate risks through the balance sheet and shorten "effective" holding duration</li> </ul>	Use securitisation to increase the "R" and reduce the "E"
<ul> <li>Sell/hedge risks on both assets and liabilities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Management of the relationship between level and volatility of RoE</li> </ul>
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- ILS is an effective risk management tool to increase capacity and transfer peak risks
- ILS can also be an effective capital management tool as risk transfer reduces capital requirements



## Sponsor Evolution



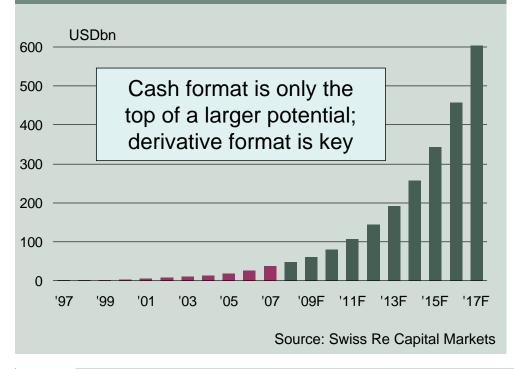
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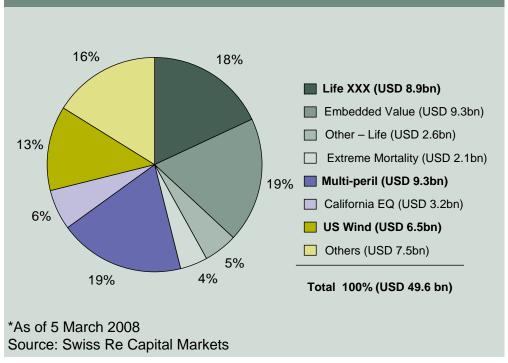


### Transfer to Capital Markets is Expected to Increase





### Risks Securitized from 1997-2008\* in USD billions



Securitisation, ILW, collateralised quota shares and sidecars add to the flexibility of capital in the industry

#### 5 Ideas to Consider

- Windstorm middle to top layers Address more severe stress tests from rating agencies
- Multi-peril Top Layer for global peak risks Most efficient risk transfer and earning protection for global players
- Aggregate/Second Event Rating agency relief mainly for smaller companies
- Casualty/Run-Off Rating agency and regulatory relief
- Life EV Funding and capital for closed blocks

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