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PRUDENTIAL PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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PRUDENTIAL PLC UNAUDITED HALF YEAR 2010 RESULTS

RESULTS SUMMARY

<u>European Embedded Value (EEV) Basis Results*</u>	Half year 2010	Half year 2009	Full year 2009
	£m	£m	£m
Asian operations	669	417	1,154
US operations	682	503	1,237
UK operations:			
UK insurance operations	472	433	921
M&G	143	102	238
Other income and expenditure	(262)	(195)	(433)
Restructuring and Solvency II implementation costs	(27)	(14)	(27)
Operating profit based on longer-term investment returns*	1,677	1,246	3,090
Short-term fluctuations in investment returns	(227)	(707)	351
Mark to market value movements on core borrowings	(42)	(108)	(795)
Shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes	(25)	(71)	(84)
Effect of changes in economic assumptions and time value of cost of options and guarantees	(52)	(384)	(910)
Costs of terminated AIA transaction	(377)	-	-
Profit on sale and results of Taiwan agency business	-	91	91
Profit from continuing operations before tax (including actual investment returns)	954	67	1,743
Operating earnings per share* (reflecting operating profit based on longer-term investment returns after related tax and non-controlling interests)	48.0p	35.4p	88.8p
Shareholders' equity, excluding non-controlling interests	£16.7 bn	£13.7bn	£15.3bn

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Basis Results*

Statutory IFRS basis results	Half year 2010	Half year 2009	Full year 2009
Profit/(loss) after tax attributable to equity holders of the Company	£442m	£(254)m	£676m
Basic earnings per share	17.5p	(10.2)p	27.0p
Shareholders' equity, excluding non-controlling interests	£7.2bn	£4.7bn	£6.3bn
Supplementary IFRS basis information	Half year 2010	Half year 2009	Full year 2009
	£m	£m	£m
Operating profit based on longer-term investment returns*	968^[1]	688	1,405
Short-term fluctuations in investment returns on shareholder-backed business	26	(80)	36
Shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes	(24)	(63)	(74)
Costs of terminated AIA transaction	(377)	-	-
Loss on sale and results of Taiwan agency business	-	(621)	(621)
Profit (loss) from continuing operations before tax attributable to shareholders	593	(76)	746
Operating earnings per share* (reflecting operating profit based on longer-term investment returns after related tax and non-controlling interests)	28.6p	20.5p	43.4p
	Half year 2010	Half year 2009	Full year 2009
Dividends per share declared and paid in reporting period	13.56p	12.91p	19.20p
Dividends per share relating to reporting period	6.61p	6.29p	19.85p
Funds under management	£309bn	£245bn	£290bn
Insurance Groups Directive capital surplus (as adjusted)*	£3.4bn	£2.5bn	£3.4bn

* **Basis of preparation**

Results bases

The EEV basis results have been prepared in accordance with the European Embedded Value Principles issued by the CFO Forum of European Insurance Companies in May 2004. Life insurance products are, by their nature, long-term and the profit on this business is generated over a significant number of years. Accounting under IFRS alone does not, in Prudential's opinion, fully reflect the value of future profit streams. Prudential considers that embedded value reporting provides investors with a measure of the future profit streams of the Group's in-force long-term businesses and is a valuable supplement to statutory accounts. With the exception of the presentation of the new business results of the Japan life operation which ceased writing new business in February 2010 there has been no change to the basis of presentation of the EEV results from the 2009 results and financial statements.

With the exception of the adoption of IFRS 3 (Revised) on business combinations, the basis of preparation of the statutory IFRS basis results and supplementary IFRS basis information is consistent with that applied for the 2009 results and financial statements.

Exchange translation

The comparative results have been prepared using previously reported exchange rates, except where otherwise stated.

Operating profit based on longer-term investment returns

Consistent with previous reporting practice, the Group analyses its EEV basis results and provides supplementary analysis of IFRS profit before tax attributable to shareholders, so as to distinguish operating profit based on longer-term investment returns from other elements of total profit. On both the EEV and IFRS bases, operating earnings per share are calculated using operating profits based on longer-term investment returns, after related tax and non-controlling interests.

These profits exclude short-term fluctuations in investment returns and the shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes. The operating profit based on longer-term investment returns for 2010 also excludes the costs associated with the terminated AIA transaction. In addition, similarly and consistently with the presentation in 2009, the effect of disposal and the results of the Taiwan agency business are shown separate from operating profit based on longer-term investment returns for half year 2009 and full year 2009.

Under the EEV basis, where additional profit and loss effects arise, operating profit based on longer-term investment returns also excludes the mark to market value movements on core borrowings and the effect of changes in economic assumptions and changes in the time value of cost of options and guarantees arising from changes in economic factors.

After adjusting for related tax and non-controlling interests, the amounts excluded from operating profit based on longer-term investment returns are included in the calculation of basic earnings per share

Insurance Groups Directive capital surplus (as adjusted)

The estimated surpluses shown for half year 2010 and half year 2009 are before allowing for the interim dividends for 2010 and 2009 respectively. The surplus for full year 2009 is before the 2009 second interim dividend.

GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT - 2010 First Half Results

I am pleased to report that Prudential continued to perform strongly in the first half of 2010, achieving high levels of sales growth and new business profits.

Our determination to consistently allocate capital to the geographies and products that deliver the highest returns for our shareholders is continuing to deliver positive results. Our rates of return in Asia remain high, we are driving profitable growth in the US, our focused strategy in the UK continues to deliver amongst the highest margins in the sector, as well as being cash generative, and our asset management businesses continue to perform very well.

The results we are reporting today show considerable growth on the first half of 2009, a period of marked economic dislocation. To better assess the long term progress of the business, it is also useful to compare our performance during the first half of 2010 with our results in the first half of 2008, a period of relatively favourable economic and market conditions. Since the first half of 2008, new business profits have grown by 59 per cent^[2], EEV operating profit before tax by 24 per cent and IFRS operating profit before tax by 37 per cent, excluding US hedging gains in both periods.

The first half of this year has also seen us maintain our robust capital position of £3.4 billion (31 December 2009: £3.4 billion) despite the payment of the 2009 final dividend and the AIA transaction costs.

AIA Transaction

Alongside the strong performance of the business, the first half of 2010 was dominated by our proposed acquisition of AIA, the Asian arm of AIG. The Board unanimously believed that this acquisition represented a unique opportunity to significantly amplify and accelerate our successful strategy in Asia. It was an opportunity which was available to us only because of the quality and standing of the Group.

On 1 March 2010 we announced we had reached agreement with AIG to acquire AIA. We subsequently re-negotiated a lower price with the AIG management in May. This revised bid was supported by AIG's executive management. However, the Board of AIG decided not to sell AIA to us and as a result the agreement was terminated on 3 June 2010. We very much regret that this transaction did not proceed and that costs were incurred.

The total cost to the Group from terminating the agreement, including the associated US dollar hedging programme, was £377 million pre-tax, and £284 million post expected tax relief. These costs comprised: the break fee of £153 million paid to AIG; foreign exchange hedge cost of £100 million; underwriting fees of £58 million; and adviser fees

of £66 million, less expected tax relief of £93 million. Our prudent initial estimate that the pre-tax costs would be £450 million was reduced as we closed the foreign exchange hedging positions and worked with our suppliers and advisers to minimise costs. The costs associated with the transaction will not impact the Group's dividend policy.

While the proposed AIA transaction was high profile and attracted a great deal of interest, the Group continued to perform strongly. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our employees across the Group for their hard work and continued commitment to our customers throughout this challenging period.

Group Performance

We continue to manage the Group with a balance across the three metrics of Embedded Value, International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and cash, as we believe this is the best way to generate value for our shareholders over the long term.

On the European Embedded Value (EEV) basis, Group operating profit before tax increased by 35 per cent over 2009, to £1,677 million (2009: £1,246 million). New business profit for the period was £892 million, an increase of 27 per cent (2009: £700 million), and the average margin across the Group was maintained at 54 per cent (2009: 54 per cent), excluding Japan where we stopped writing new business this year.

In achieving this growth in new business profit, our absolute investment in new business remained broadly flat compared to the first half of 2009 at £337 million (2009: £319 million). This demonstrates a marked increase in our capital efficiency as our sales grew significantly during the same period. We continued to focus on the opportunities with the highest returns, lowest capital requirements and shortest payback periods.

Our IFRS operating profit before tax from continuing operations increased by 41 per cent in the first half of 2010 to £968 million (2009: £688m). These results include £123 million of variable equity hedge gains in our US operations (2009: equity hedge losses of £23 million). Excluding these variable hedge gains, there was an increase of 19 per cent in the first half of 2010 to £845 million (2009: £711 million), which is a better reflection of our underlying performance over the previous year and constitutes excellent progress.

Asset management net inflows were £4.4 billion (2009: £10.1 billion). Although this is down against the same period last year, which saw exceptional inflows into M&G's bond funds as a result of the financial crisis, this remains a leading performance driven by continuing strong inflows into M&G's retail funds.

As a key indicator of our ability to generate cash and capital, the free surplus in the life and asset management operations increased to £3.2 billion, up from £2.5 billion at the end of 2009 and £0.9 billion at the end of 2008. Embedded value shareholders' funds increased 9 per cent to £16.7 billion (2009: £15.3 billion) and IFRS shareholders' funds rose 14 per cent to £7.2 billion (2009: £6.3 billion).

Capital and Risk Management

As a consequence of our actions and ongoing operational performance, the capital position of the Group remains robust. Using the regulatory measure of the Insurance Groups Directive (IGD), the Group's capital surplus was estimated at £3.4 billion at 30 June 2010 (before any allowance for the 2010 interim dividend). The Group's required capital is covered 2.7 times by available capital. This positions us as one of the best capitalised insurers.

Interim Dividend

Given the sound financial position of the Group, and our continuing strong financial performance, the Board has agreed an increase of five per cent in the interim dividend to 6.61 pence per share (2009: 6.29p). The Board remains committed to a growing dividend policy, with the level of dividend determined after taking into account the Group's financial requirements, including opportunities to invest in the business at attractive returns. As previously stated, the Board believes that in the medium term a dividend cover of around two times is appropriate.

Hong Kong and Singapore Listings

On 25 May 2010, we announced the listing of our ordinary shares on the main board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited as a dual primary listing alongside our primary listing of ordinary shares in London. In addition, we also listed our ordinary shares on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

The listings were by way of introduction, with no new shares being issued or sold to the public or investors, and over the longer-term will offer a wider range of investors the opportunity to invest in Prudential. These listings further underline the Group's long-term commitment to Asia, deepening our presence in the region's dynamic business environment and raising our profile with governments, local business communities and our customers and staff.

Our Strategy

We have managed the Group to a clear and consistent strategy, applying rigorous operating principles. We have continued to (i) prioritise our highly profitable growth in Asia, (ii) put an emphasis on growth and cash generation in the US, (iii) focus on sustainable cash generation in the UK ahead of growth and (iv), in our asset management businesses, focus on generating strong investment performance, which is the foundation of our ability to attract flows and increase assets under management.

By maintaining our discipline in the implementation of this strategy, allocating capital to the most attractive markets and products, and managing proactively risk and capital, we believe we can continue to generate sustainable and differentiated value for our shareholders. Over the past two years our strategy has proven its worth under the most testing conditions, and it has continued to deliver a very good performance amid the improving global conditions experienced in the first half of 2010.

Many of the highest return opportunities are in Asia. We find the emerging markets of South East Asia - such as Indonesia, Vietnam, Singapore and Malaysia, together with Hong Kong - particularly attractive. These remain the priority destination for our marginal capital investment. Even within Asia, we remain committed to focusing our capital on the areas with the highest returns. This disciplined and pragmatic approach led us to decide to stop writing new business in Japan at the start of 2010. In a sector where distribution is key, we have been growing and diversifying our distribution, including increasing our agency workforce and completing a long-term strategic bancassurance partnership with United Overseas Bank Limited ("UOB").

In the US, the world's largest retirement market, we continue to see opportunities for high returns. During the first half of 2010, the US financial services industry remained under pressure. This created opportunities for us, with our strong financial ratings and product set. We have established a reputation as a high-quality and reliable business partner. We remain focused on increasing volumes profitably in variable annuities, whilst managing fixed annuity sales in line with our strategy of capital efficiency.

The UK is a mature market with lower growth and lower returns than are available to us elsewhere in the Group's portfolio. By maintaining a balance between writing profitable new business and generating surplus cash, the Group is

able to invest the surplus cash we generate in the UK into markets with higher returns. Our financial performance in the UK provides strong support to our credit rating at a Group level and continues to be a significant contributor to our overall performance.

Our asset management businesses provide high quality profits and cash, have limited capital requirements and are central to the successful delivery of our strategy, as investment returns are at the core of our value proposition to our customers.

Our Operating Performance

Our operating model enables each of our businesses to stay close to their customers, by identifying and developing the specific product and distribution mix most suited to their particular market and customer base. Our aim in all our markets is to have a suite of savings, income and protection products that deliver good value and meet customers' needs in a profitable and capital efficient manner.

Looking at the operating performance of each of our business units, I am pleased to report a strong performance in the first half of 2010.

Prudential Corporation Asia

The Asia life insurance sector has done well during the first half as the region recovered from the economic downturn. Our approach remains to expand our distribution reach via our proprietary agency distribution and through partnerships, together with a continued focus on improving our productivity. Agency remains the main distribution channel and agent numbers continue to grow. Bank distribution has performed well and is growing, with our new partnership with UOB already generating significant sales. This is important for the future, as the banking distribution channel will grow, as the region becomes wealthier and banking penetration increases.

In line with the Group's strategy, we continue to manage proactively and rigorously our investment in new business, focusing on value creation, particularly with high margin regular premium business. New business written in the period has an average internal rate of return (IRR) in excess of 20 per cent and an average payback period of three years.

Jackson National Life

We continue to benefit from the market observed in the US in 2008 and 2009. Our focus remains on increasing volumes profitably in variable annuities whilst managing proactively the level of our fixed annuity sales and maintaining pricing discipline. In light of the continued volatility in US equity markets and low interest rates, customers continue to seek to mitigate equity risk while receiving an acceptable return through the purchase of variable and fixed annuities with guaranteed benefits. We have continued to expand the number of advisers appointed to sell our products, building on the 35 per cent increase in adviser numbers in 2009. We have also continued to invest in the bancassurance channel, which has been expanded recently through agreements with new distribution partners including Merrill Lynch.

As expected, new business margins reduced to 64 per cent from the exceptional level of 74 per cent in the same period in 2009. This was anticipated as the corporate bond market recovered, the abnormally high spreads in 2009 normalised and our competitors progressively recovered from the 2008/2009 market dislocation. Nevertheless, business conditions remain favourable and we continue to write new business at an IRR in excess of 20 per cent with

an average payback of two years.

Prudential UK and Europe

Our UK business is a valuable part of the Group and a market leader in both individual annuities and with-profits. In the first half we maintained a focus on balancing writing new business, with cash and capital generation, successfully delivering attractive returns on capital employed. Our business in the UK is disciplined, generating very attractive returns relative to the market.

During the first half of 2010, we continued to actively manage sales volumes to control capital consumption, with new business concentrated in the retail markets. We have maintained a strict focus on value in the bulk annuity and back-book markets and wrote no new business in this area during the period. The weighted average post-tax IRR on the shareholder capital allocated to new business growth was in excess of 15 per cent and the average free surplus undiscounted payback period was five years.

Asset Management

Our asset management businesses have continued to capitalise on their leading market positions and strong track records in investment performance. In the UK, M&G has been the leading net seller of retail funds for six consecutive quarters, driven by excellent investment performance. Over the three years ending 30 June 2010, 34 per cent of M&G's retail funds ranked in the top quartile and 66 per cent in the top half. M&G continues to add value to the Group by generating attractive returns on internal funds as well as growing profits from the management of third-party assets.

In Asia, the first half performance of our asset management business has been very strong, with a significant increase in profitability. Given the increasing wealth in the region, we see asset management as a very attractive opportunity.

Outlook

We have significant opportunities for profitable growth and the financial strength to take advantage of those opportunities. We are cautious about the outlook for the western economies. However, our Asian business gives us a material and powerful presence in the most attractive markets in our industry, and one that will continue to underpin our growth.

So we view the future with confidence. We expect the momentum that we have seen in our businesses during the first half to be sustained during the rest of the year. As we look further ahead, beyond the second half, we are well positioned to continue to deliver strong growth and generate strong returns for our shareholders, thanks to our operational focus and strong market positions.

BUSINESS REVIEW

CFO OVERVIEW

Prudential's strong performance in the first six months of 2010, as shown in our results below, reflects the successful execution of the Group's strategy and builds on the momentum seen in 2009. We have continued to balance profitable growth, capital conservation and cash generation to both preserve our financial strength and improve our long-term profitability. The 2010 interim results underline our value focus with all of our business operations reporting profitability improvements. In line with our disciplined approach of investing our capital in those markets and products with the highest return and shortest payback periods, we focused our efforts on the Asian region (particularly South-East Asia) and the US variable annuity business. New business APE sales^[2] rose 28 per cent compared with the same period last year, with new business sales in Asia^[2] and the US rising by 36 per cent and 43 per cent respectively. EEV new business profits rose by 27 per cent in the first six months of 2010 with the capital being invested in new business increasing by only six per cent. This sustained focus on new business cash and capital coupled with strong management of our in-force book has seen us improve our operating free surplus generated by 63 per cent and maintain a strong IGD solvency capital position.

We remain cautious on the global economic outlook, in particular for the mature western economies where continuing levels of consumer and government debt and unemployment threaten the prospects for a return to higher growth. However, Asia appears to be more resilient and in the first six months of 2010 Prudential has benefited from the recovery in markets in the region and our strong Asian franchise. Against this backdrop, we are confident that our disciplined approach to value and capital coupled with our advantaged product and geographic business footprint will continue to deliver relative out performance for our shareholders.

Performance and key metrics

	AER ⁽⁸⁾			CER ⁽⁸⁾		AER ⁽⁸⁾	
	Half Year	Half Year	Change	Half Year	Change	Full Year	
	2010	2009		2009		2009	2009
	£m	£m	%	£m	%	£m	
New business ⁽¹⁾ excluding Japan							
Annual premium equivalent (APE) sales:							
- Asia	713	524	36	555	28	1,209	
- US	560	392	43	383	46	912	
- UK	382	376	2	376	2	723	
- Total APE sales	1,655	1,292	28	1,314	26	2,844	
EEV new business profit (NBP)	892	700	27	711	25	1,619	
NBP margin (% APE)	54%	54%		54%		57%	
Net investment flows	4,376	10,069	(56)	10,179	(57)	15,417	
External funds under management	96,015	72,336	33	74,751	28	89,780	
EEV basis operating profit							
On long-term business ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	1,749	1,303	34	1,309	34	3,202	
Total	1,677	1,246	35	1,252	34	3,090	
IFRS operating profit based on longer-term investment returns ⁽³⁾	968*	688	41 *	695	39	1,405	
Balance sheet and capital							
EEV basis shareholders' funds	16.7bn	13.7bn	22	14.7bn	14	15.3bn	
EEV basis shareholders' funds per share	657p	544p	21	583p	13	603p	
Annualised return on embedded value ⁽⁶⁾	16%	12%				15%	
IFRS shareholders' funds	7.2bn	4.7bn	53	5.0bn	44	6.3bn	
IGD capital surplus (as adjusted) ⁽⁴⁾	3.4bn	2.5bn	36			3.4bn	

Free surplus-

Investment in new business, excluding Japan (1)(5)	337m	319m	6	319m	6 660m
Operating free surplus generated (7)	947m	581m	63	584m	62 1,414m
Operating holding company cash flow	24m	22m	9		38m
Dividend per share relating to the reporting year	6.61p	6.29p	5	6.29p	5 19.85p

* The Group IFRS operating profit of £968 million includes £123 million of net equity hedging gains (half year 2009: £23 million losses; full year 2009: £159 million losses) representing the movement in fair value of free standing derivatives included in operating profit and the movement in the accounting value of guarantees in Jackson's variable annuity and fixed index products, a significant proportion of which are not fair valued, net of related DAC. Excluding these amounts, which are variable in nature, Group IFRS operating profit increased by 19 per cent as compared to half year 2009.

(1) *New business sales, profits and free surplus invested in new business exclude the results of the Japanese life operation which ceased writing new business in February 2010, and the results of the Taiwan agency business for which the sale process was completed in June 2009.*

(2) *Long-term business profits after deducting Asia development expenses and before restructuring and Solvency II implementation costs.*

(3) *Operating profits are determined on the basis of including longer-term investment returns. EEV and IFRS operating profits are stated after excluding the effect of short-term fluctuations in investment returns against long-term assumptions, the shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes, transaction costs arising from business combinations in the period, costs associated with the terminated AIA transaction, and the effect of disposal and results of the Taiwan agency business, for which the sale process was completed in June 2009. In addition for EEV basis results, operating profit excludes the effect of changes in economic assumptions and the time value of cost of options and guarantees, and the market value movement on core borrowings. In half year 2010 the IFRS operating profits of Jackson National Life, the Group's US life operation included the benefit of an unusually high level of net equity hedge gains of £123 million.*

(4) *Insurance Groups Directive capital surplus (as adjusted). The estimated surpluses shown for half year 2010 and half year 2009 are before allowing for the interim dividends for 2010 and 2009 respectively. The surplus for full year 2009 is before the 2009 second interim dividend.*

(5) *Free surplus - investment in new business represents the reduction in EEV net worth together with EEV required capital to support the new business acquired.*

(6) *Annualised return on embedded value is based on EEV operating profit after tax and non-controlling interests as a percentage of opening EEV basis shareholders' funds. Half year profits are annualised by multiplying by two.*

(7) *Operating free surplus generated comprises underlying free surplus generated in the period from the Group's insurance and asset management operations less investment in new business.*

(8) *Actual Exchange Rate (AER) and Constant Exchange Rate (CER)*

In this review, comparisons of financial performance are on an actual exchange rate (AER) basis, unless otherwise stated.

In the first six months of 2010 Prudential has maintained the momentum seen in 2009, and delivered another strong performance thanks to a continued focus on its core disciplines of value creation and capital conservation. This approach delivered a step change in our new business profitability during 2009 whilst modestly increasing sales. In the first six months of 2010, we have held on to the 2009 margin gains while significantly growing our new business sales. Central to this achievement is the active management of our portfolio of products and businesses which, in 2010, saw us close to new business in Japan, withdraw from selling new business in the lifetime mortgage market in the UK, reduce our appetite for sales of fixed annuities in the US and target, instead, sales in the highly profitable markets of South-East Asia (including Hong Kong) and variable annuities in the US. Group APE new business sales^[2] were £1,655 million for half year 2010, 28 per cent higher than for half year 2009 on a comparable basis. In Asia sales were £713 million, up 36 per cent, representing the strongest half year sales performance in our history, with sales in our strategic area of focus of South-East Asia up 46 per cent to £452 million. In the US, Jackson continued to focus on low capital intensive variable annuity sales and its positive position in this market led to a 43 per cent increase in retail sales at £560 million. In the UK, our value focus delivered sales of £382 million, up two per cent relative to 2009 at improved margins.

We continue to see robust positive flows into our asset management businesses with net investment flows of £4.4 billion year to date (2009: £10.1 billion) driven by strong retail flows for M&G. The exceptional net flows in our M&G institutional fixed income funds and our Asian money market funds observed in 2009 were not repeated in 2010. With these contributions and recovering investment markets, external funds under management have increased by £6.2 billion to £96.0 billion during the six months ended 30 June 2010.

In half year 2010, total EEV basis operating profits based on longer term investment returns of £1,677 million were up 35 per cent from half year 2009, with profitability from the Group's long-term business operations increasing 34 per cent to £1,749 million, and asset management operating profit being 55 per cent higher at £194 million reflecting higher funds under management. Operating profit from long-term operations comprised new business profit of £892 million, up 27 per cent compared to the same period last year, in-force profits of £861 million, up

40 per cent, and negative £4 million of other items including development expenses. Growth in new business profits has tracked the higher sales volumes delivered at an overall unchanged new business margin^[2] of 54 per cent.

Higher in-force profits reflect the growing maturity of the book and improvements in experience, principally from Asia and the US. The unwind in discount and expected returns was higher by £92 million to £773 million, while the combined effect of experience variances and operating assumption changes was a contribution to profits of £88 million, representing a £152 million improvement from the combined loss of £64 million last year.

Higher interests costs on core structural borrowings have led to an increase in the charge from other income and expenditure in the period up £67 million to £262 million. We also commenced the implementation of Solvency II across the group in the first half of 2010, incurring additional costs of £22 million in the period.

The total EEV profit before tax for half year 2010 of £954 million compares to a profit of £67 million for half year 2009. The falls in global equity markets and reduction in government yields during the first six months of 2010 resulted in adverse investment related variances, which were nevertheless, less severe than the equivalent period of 2009. The half year 2010 results are after £377 million (£284 million post-tax) of costs incurred in connection with the terminated AIA transaction.

Our IFRS operating profit^[1] has increased by 41 per cent to £968 million. This result was driven by higher profits from all of our life businesses with long-term business operating profit up 40 per cent to £1,016 million, with strong contributions from Asia and the US. In the US, the half year 2010 operating profits included the benefit of hedge gains, which are variable in nature, arising from our management of equity exposure (net of related amortisation of deferred acquisition costs) of £123 million. Excluding this and the value of corresponding equivalent items in 2009, Group IFRS operating profits increased by 19 per cent. Contributions from our asset management and other non long-term businesses increased by 43 per cent to £217 million reflecting the continuing growth in funds under management and the market improvement.

Operating holding company cashflow during the period was positive at £24 million. Net remittances from business operations were higher than last year at £460 million (2009: £375 million), exceeding group operating expenditure of £118 million (2009: £127 million) and external dividends paid net of scrip of £318 million (2009: £226 million). At 30 June 2010 holding company cash resources and short-term investments amounted to £1,023 million. Furthermore, we have maintained the strong capital position with an unchanged IGD surplus relative to end-2009 of £3.4 billion, equivalent to a cover of 270 per cent.

In view of the strong operational performance and in line with our dividend policy, the Board has declared an interim dividend of 6.61pence per share, five per cent higher than the 2009 interim dividend. Hong Kong shareholders on the Hong Kong branch register will receive a dividend of HK\$.8038, which equates to the sterling value as translated at the exchange rate ruling at the close of business on 11 August 2010^[3].

EEV RESULTS

EEV basis operating profit based on longer-term investment returns

	AER			CER	
	Half Year 2010 £m	Half Year 2009 £m	Change %	Half Year 2009 £m	Change %
Insurance business					
Asia	636	401	59	418	52
US	667	501	33	490	36
UK	449	406	11	406	11
Development expenses	(3)	(5)	40	(5)	40
Long-term business profit	1,749	1,303	34	1,309	34
UK general insurance commission	23	27	(15)	27	(15)
Asset management business:					
M&G	143	102	40	102	40
Asia asset management	36	21	71	21	71
Curian	2	(3)	167	(3)	167
US broker dealer and asset management	13	5	160	5	160
	1,966	1,455	35	1,461	35
Other income and expenditure	(262)	(195)	34	(195)	34

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Solvency II implementation costs	(22)	-	-	-	-
Restructuring costs	(5)	(14)	(64)	(14)	(64)
Total EEV basis operating profit	1,677	1,246	35	1,252	34

In the first six months of 2010, Prudential Group's total EEV basis operating profit based on longer-term investment returns was £1,677 million, an increase of 35 per cent from the same period in 2009.

Long-term business profits generated by the Group increased by 34 per cent to £1,749 million. These profits comprise:

- New business profits² of £892 million (2009: £700 million);
- In-force profits of £861 million (2009: £617 million); and
- Negative £4 million of other items including development expenses (2009: negative £14 million).

New business profits² at £892 million, were 27 per cent higher than last year, reflecting a 28 per cent increase in sales volumes as compared to 2009. The average Group new business profit margin on these sales was 54 per cent (2009: 54 per cent) on an APE basis and 7.5 per cent (2009: 7.4 per cent) on a PVNBP basis. Overall we have maintained the high new business APE profit margin achieved in the first half of 2009, with the effect of improvements in Asia (up one per cent to 56 per cent) and the UK (up three per cent to 35 per cent) being offset by the expected reduction in the US (down 10 per cent to 64 per cent) as spreads returned to more normal market levels.

The contribution from in-force operating profit increased by £244 million to £861 million, including unwind of discount and other expected returns that increased by £92 million to £773 million, primarily reflecting the growth of the portfolio in Asia and US. In-force profit in 2010 also includes the effects of operating assumption changes and experience variances and other items which aggregated positive £88 million, principally reflecting positive experience in the US, offset by negative experience in Asia.

Operating profit from the asset management business and other non-long term businesses increased to £217 million, up 43 per cent from £152 million in half year 2009.

Other income and expenditure totalled a net expense of £262 million compared with £195 million in half year 2009, a negative impact of £67 million, principally reflecting an increase in interest payable on core structural borrowings.

EEV basis profit after tax and non-controlling interests

	AER
Half Year 2010	Half Year 2009

	£m	£m
EEV basis operating profit based on longer-term investment returns	1,677	1,246
Short-term fluctuations in investment returns:		
- Insurance operations	(239)	(566)
- IGD hedge costs	-	(216)
- Other operations	12	75
	(227)	(707)
Mark to market value movements on core borrowings	(42)	(108)
Shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes	(25)	(71)
Effect of changes in economic assumptions and time value of cost of options and guarantees	(52)	(384)
Costs of terminated AIA transaction	(377)	-
Profit on sale and results of Taiwan agency business	-	91
Profit before tax from continuing operations	954	67
Tax attributable to shareholders' profit	(140)	(52)
Non-controlling interests	(2)	(1)
Profit after non-controlling interests	812	14
<i><u>Short-term fluctuations in investment returns</u></i>		

EEV operating profit is based on longer-term investment return assumptions rather than actual investment returns achieved. Short-term fluctuations represent the difference between the actual investment return and those assumed in arriving at the reported operating profit.

Short-term fluctuations in investment returns for insurance operations of negative £239 million comprise a negative £21 million for Asia, negative £140 million for our US operations and negative £78 million in the UK.

For our Asian business, short-term fluctuations of negative £21 million (2009: positive £101 million) primarily reflected a deterioration in equity markets in the first half of 2010 partially offset by unrealised gains on the bond portfolio.

For our US business, short-term fluctuations in investment returns were negative £140 million (2009: negative £304 million), the reduction primarily reflecting substantially lower impairments and other realised losses for fixed income securities incurred in the period.

For our UK business, the short-term fluctuations in investment returns were negative £78 million (2009: negative £363 million), principally due to the return on the with-profits business of positive 2.6 per cent being lower than the long-term assumed return of 3.3 per cent for the half year 2010.

Short-term fluctuations in investment returns for other operations were positive £12 million, and mainly represent unrealised appreciation on Prudential Capital's debt securities portfolio. The half year 2009 result included £216 million costs incurred in respect of the hedge temporarily put in place during the first quarter to protect the IGD capital position in exceptional market conditions.

Mark-to-market movement on core borrowings

The mark-to-market movement on core borrowings was a negative £42 million, as credit spreads continued to narrow to more normal levels.

Shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes

The shareholders' share of actuarial and other gains and losses on defined benefit pension schemes of a negative £25 million mainly reflects the impact of a reduced discount rate offset by lower inflation assumptions of the liabilities of the Scottish Amicable and M&G schemes.

Effect of changes in economic assumptions and time value of cost of options and guarantees

The effect of changes in economic assumptions and time value of cost of options and guarantees of negative £52 million comprises negative £56 million for the effect of changes in economic assumptions and positive £4 million for the change in the time value of cost of options and guarantees arising from changes in economic factors.

In our Asian business, economic assumption changes were negative £61 million mainly reflecting the impact of falls in interest rates and the derisking of the portfolios in Hong Kong and Singapore.

In our US business, economic assumption changes were negative £20 million, primarily reflecting a fall in the separate account return and the impact of lower investment return assumptions, offset by the beneficial effect arising from the decrease in the risk discount rate following a reduction of 0.9 per cent in the US 10-year Treasury rate during the period.

In our UK business, economic assumption changes were positive £25 million, where the impact of the lower risk discount rate more than offset the effect of lower expected long-term rates of return following a reduction in UK Gilt rates of 0.4 per cent during the first six months of 2010.

Costs of terminated AIA transaction

During the period the Group incurred costs in relation to the AIA transaction of £377 million. This comprises the termination break fee of £153 million, the costs associated with foreign exchange hedging of £100 million and underwriting and other fees totalling £124 million. After expected tax relief, the post tax cost is £284 million.

Effective tax rates

The effective tax rate at an operating level was 28 per cent (2009: 29 per cent) and the effective tax rate at a total EEV level was 15 per cent (2009: 78 per cent), with 2009 being adversely impacted by a reduction in the deferred tax credit relating to Jackson losses on fixed income securities and 2010 benefiting from a reduction in US deferred tax liabilities following changes to variable annuity reserving in accordance with revised statutory guidance.

IFRS RESULTS

IFRS basis operating profit based on longer-term investment returns

	AER			CER	
	Half	Half		Half	
	Year	Year	Change	Year	Change
	2010	2009		2009	
	£m	£m	%	£m	%
Insurance business					
Long-term business:					
Asia	262	212	24	224	17
US	450 ⁴	217	107 ⁴	212	112