

MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2010

Or

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number: 001-31719

Molina Healthcare, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

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

13-4204626

*(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)*

200 Oceangate, Suite 100

Long Beach, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

90802

(Zip Code)

(562) 435-3666

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting
company

(Do not check if a smaller
reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

The number of shares of the issuer's Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, outstanding as of October 29, 2010, was approximately 30,239,000.

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

| | September 30, 2010 | December 31, 2009 |
|---|--|------------------------------|
| | (Amounts in thousands, except per-share data) | |
| | (Unaudited) | |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 426,455 | \$ 469,501 |
| Investments | 195,358 | 174,844 |
| Receivables | 225,547 | 136,654 |
| Income and related taxes refundable | 2,755 | 6,067 |
| Deferred income taxes | 7,580 | 8,757 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 25,185 | 15,583 |
| | | |
| Total current assets | 882,880 | 811,406 |
| Property and equipment, net | 91,826 | 78,171 |
| Deferred contract costs | 20,255 | |
| Intangible assets, net | 115,270 | 80,846 |
| Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets | 213,261 | 133,408 |
| Investments | 20,294 | 59,687 |
| Restricted investments | 45,047 | 36,274 |
| Receivable for ceded life and annuity contracts | 25,134 | 25,455 |
| Other assets | 17,463 | 19,988 |
| | \$ 1,431,430 | \$ 1,245,235 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Medical claims and benefits payable | \$ 355,140 | \$ 316,516 |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 117,299 | 71,732 |
| Deferred revenue | 37,648 | 101,985 |
| | | |
| Total current liabilities | 510,087 | 490,233 |
| Long-term debt | 162,700 | 158,900 |
| Deferred income taxes | 16,773 | 12,506 |
| Liability for ceded life and annuity contracts | 25,134 | 25,455 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 19,004 | 15,403 |
| | | |
| Total liabilities | 733,698 | 702,497 |
| | | |
| Stockholders equity: | 30 | 26 |

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Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 80,000 shares authorized; outstanding: 30,207 shares at September 30, 2010 and 25,607 shares at December 31, 2009

Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 20,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Additional paid-in capital | 247,845 | 129,902 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (2,107) | (1,812) |
| Retained earnings | 451,964 | 414,622 |
| Total stockholders' equity | 697,732 | 542,738 |
| | \$ 1,431,430 | \$ 1,245,235 |

See accompanying notes.

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MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (Amounts in thousands, except net income per share) (Unaudited) | | | |
| Revenue: | | | | |
| Premium revenue | \$ 1,005,115 | \$ 914,805 | \$ 2,947,020 | \$ 2,697,796 |
| Service revenue | 32,271 | | 53,325 | |
| Investment income | 1,760 | 1,707 | 4,880 | 7,336 |
| Total revenue | 1,039,146 | 916,512 | 3,005,225 | 2,705,132 |
| Expenses: | | | | |
| Medical care costs | 845,937 | 792,771 | 2,508,366 | 2,333,865 |
| Cost of service revenue | 27,605 | | 41,859 | |
| General and administrative expenses | 88,660 | 68,563 | 245,619 | 198,981 |
| Premium tax expenses | 35,037 | 30,257 | 104,578 | 87,612 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 11,954 | 9,832 | 33,234 | 28,468 |
| Total expenses | 1,009,193 | 901,423 | 2,933,656 | 2,648,926 |
| Gain on retirement of convertible senior notes | | | | 1,532 |
| Operating income | 29,953 | 15,089 | 71,569 | 57,738 |
| Interest expense | (4,600) | (3,279) | (12,056) | (9,917) |
| Income before income taxes | 25,353 | 11,810 | 59,513 | 47,821 |
| Provision for income taxes | 9,180 | 3,246 | 22,171 | 12,481 |
| Net income | \$ 16,173 | \$ 8,564 | \$ 37,342 | \$ 35,340 |
| Net income per share: | | | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.58 | \$ 0.34 | \$ 1.41 | \$ 1.36 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.57 | \$ 0.33 | \$ 1.39 | \$ 1.36 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding: | | | | |
| Basic | 28,118 | 25,539 | 26,511 | 25,944 |
| Diluted | 28,363 | 25,630 | 26,802 | 26,058 |

See accompanying notes.

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MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited) | | | |
| Net income | \$ 16,173 | \$ 8,564 | \$ 37,342 | \$ 35,340 |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax: | | | | |
| Unrealized (loss) gain on investments | (68) | 37 | (295) | 645 |
| Other comprehensive (loss) income | (68) | 37 | (295) | 645 |
| Comprehensive income | \$ 16,105 | \$ 8,601 | \$ 37,047 | \$ 35,985 |

See accompanying notes.

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MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

| | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------|
| | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (Amounts in thousands) | |
| | (Unaudited) | |
| Operating activities: | | |
| Net income | \$ 37,342 | \$ 35,340 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 40,485 | 28,468 |
| Unrealized gain on trading securities | (4,170) | (3,509) |
| Loss on rights agreement | 3,807 | 3,204 |
| Deferred income taxes | 4,463 | 2,322 |
| Stock-based compensation | 7,268 | 5,730 |
| Non-cash interest on convertible senior notes | 3,800 | 3,563 |
| Gain on repurchase and retirement of convertible senior notes | | (1,532) |
| Amortization of deferred financing costs | 1,278 | 1,040 |
| Tax deficiency from employee stock compensation recorded as additional paid-in capital | (676) | (704) |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| Receivables | (64,896) | (15,567) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | (8,307) | 454 |
| Medical claims and benefits payable | 33,947 | 10,672 |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 15,131 | (6,140) |
| Deferred revenue | (64,337) | 61,381 |
| Income taxes | 3,327 | 5,561 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 8,462 | 130,283 |
| Investing activities: | | |
| Purchases of equipment | (31,918) | (28,390) |
| Purchases of investments | (162,620) | (127,335) |
| Sales and maturities of investments | 185,193 | 149,770 |
| Net cash paid in business combinations | (127,231) | (10,900) |
| Increase in deferred contract costs | (20,616) | |
| Increase in restricted investments | (8,513) | (4,198) |
| Increase in other assets | (389) | (1,877) |
| Increase (decrease) in other long-term liabilities | 2,729 | (8,788) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (163,365) | (31,718) |
| Financing activities: | | |
| Amount borrowed under credit facility | 105,000 | |
| Proceeds from common stock offering, net of underwriting discount | 111,578 | |
| Repayment of amount borrowed under credit facility | (105,000) | |

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| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| Treasury stock purchases | | (27,712) |
| Purchase of convertible senior notes | | (9,653) |
| Credit facility fees paid | (1,671) | |
| Equity offering costs paid | (332) | |
| Proceeds from employee stock plans | 1,862 | 1,081 |
| Excess tax benefits from employee stock compensation | 420 | 26 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 111,857 | (36,258) |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | (43,046) | 62,307 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 469,501 | 387,162 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 426,455 | \$ 449,469 |

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MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 2009 (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited) | |
|---|--|-------------|
| Supplemental cash flow information: | | |
| Cash paid during the period for: | | |
| Income taxes | \$ 12,129 | \$ 16,305 |
| Interest | \$ 7,175 | \$ 4,254 |
| Schedule of non-cash investing and financing activities: | | |
| Unrealized (loss) gain on investments | \$ (476) | \$ 936 |
| Deferred taxes | 181 | (291) |
| Net unrealized (loss) gain on investments | \$ (295) | \$ 645 |
| Accrued purchases of equipment | \$ 632 | \$ 366 |
| Retirement of common stock used for stock-based compensation | \$ 2,173 | \$ 920 |
| Retirement of treasury stock | \$ | \$ 48,102 |
| Details of business combinations: | | |
| Fair value of assets acquired | \$ (161,862) | \$ (30,600) |
| Fair value of liabilities assumed | 25,880 | |
| Release of deposit | | 9,000 |
| Payable to seller | 8,751 | 10,700 |
| Net cash paid in business combinations | \$ (127,231) | \$ (10,900) |

See accompanying notes.

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MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)
September 30, 2010

1. Basis of Presentation

Organization and Operations

Molina Healthcare, Inc. provides quality and cost-effective Medicaid-related solutions to meet the health care needs of low-income families and individuals and to assist state agencies in their administration of the Medicaid program. Our licensed health plans in California, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin currently serve approximately 1.6 million members eligible for Medicaid, Medicare, and other government-sponsored health care programs for low-income families and individuals. The health plans are locally operated by our respective wholly owned subsidiaries in those states, each of which is licensed as a health maintenance organization, or HMO. Effective January 1, 2010, we terminated operations at our small Medicare health plan in Nevada. Our subsidiary, Molina Medicaid Solutions, provides business processing and information technology administrative services to Medicaid agencies in Idaho, Louisiana, Maine, New Jersey, and West Virginia, and drug rebate administration services in Florida.

On September 1, 2010, we acquired Abri Health Plan, a Medicaid managed care organization based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. As of September 30, 2010, Abri Health Plan served approximately 28,000 Medicaid members. See Note 3, Business Combinations, for more information relating to this acquisition.

On May 1, 2010, we acquired a health information management business which now operates under the name, *Molina Medicaid Solutions*SM. Molina Medicaid Solutions provides design, development, implementation, and business process outsourcing solutions to state governments for their Medicaid Management Information Systems, or MMIS. MMIS is a core tool used to support the administration of state Medicaid and other health care entitlement programs. See Note 3, Business Combinations, for more information relating to this acquisition.

Consolidation and Interim Financial Information

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Molina Healthcare, Inc. and all majority owned subsidiaries. In the opinion of management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation of the results as of the date and for the interim periods presented have been included. Except as described below under

Reclassifications, such adjustments consist of normal recurring adjustments. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The consolidated results of operations for the current interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results for the entire year ending December 31, 2010. Financial information related to subsidiaries acquired during any year is included only for periods subsequent to their acquisition.

The unaudited consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared under the assumption that users of the interim financial data have either read or have access to our audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. Accordingly, certain disclosures that would substantially duplicate the disclosures contained in the December 31, 2009 audited consolidated financial statements have been omitted. These unaudited consolidated interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with our December 31, 2009 audited financial statements.

Reclassifications

Effective January 1, 2010, we have recorded the Michigan modified gross receipts tax as a premium tax and not as an income tax. For the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2009, amounts for premium tax expense and income tax expense have been reclassified to conform to this presentation. See Note 2, Significant Accounting Policies.

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In prior periods, general and administrative expenses have included premium tax expenses. Beginning in the second quarter of 2010, we have reported premium tax expenses on a separate line in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform to this presentation.

2. Significant Accounting Policies**Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment Revenue Recognition and Deferred Contract Costs**

As a result of our recent acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions, we report on the results of our operations using two business segments. The Molina Medicaid Solutions segment derives its revenue from service arrangements. This segment provides technology solutions to state Medicaid programs that include system development, system integration, and technology outsourcing services. In addition, this segment offers business process outsourcing to state Medicaid agencies that handle key administrative functions such as claims processing, provider enrollment, pharmacy drug rebate services, recipient eligibility management, and pre-authorization services. The following is an update of our accounting policies on revenue recognition, as included in our December 31, 2009 audited financial statements, which specifically addresses revenue recognition for service arrangements.

Under certain of the contracts we acquired, the development of the MMIS solution has already been completed. Under these contracts, we provide business process outsourcing and technology outsourcing services, and recognize outsourcing services revenue on a straight-line basis over the remaining term of the contract.

For fixed-price contracts where the system design and development phase was in process as of the acquisition date, we apply contract accounting because we will deliver significantly modified and customized MMIS software to the customer under the terms of the contract. Additionally, these contracts contain multiple deliverables; once the system design and development phase is complete, we provide technology outsourcing services and business process outsourcing. We do not have vendor specific objective evidence of the fair value of the technology outsourcing and business process outsourcing components of the contracts because we do not have history of offering these services on a stand-alone basis. As such, we account for these fixed-price service contracts as a single element.

Therefore, in general, we recognize contract revenues as a single element ratably over the performance period, or contract term, of the outsourcing services because these are the last elements to be delivered under the contract. Such contract terms typically range from five to 10 years. In those service arrangements where final acceptance of a system or solution by the customer is required, contract revenues and costs are deferred until all material acceptance criteria have been met. Performance will often extend over long periods, and our right to receive future payment depends on our future performance in accordance with the agreement. Revenues earned in excess of related billings are accrued, whereas billings in excess of revenues earned are deferred until the related services are provided.

Deferred contract costs include direct and incremental costs such as direct labor, hardware and software. We also defer and subsequently amortize certain transition costs related to activities that transition the contract from the design, development, and implementation phase to the operational, or business process outsourcing, phase. Deferred contract costs, including transition costs, are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining original contract term, consistent with the revenue recognition period. Indirect costs associated with MMIS service contracts are generally expensed as incurred.

The recoverability of deferred contract costs associated with a particular contract is analyzed on a periodic basis using the undiscounted estimated cash flows of the whole contract over its remaining contract term. If such undiscounted cash flows are insufficient to recover the long-lived assets and deferred contract costs, the deferred contract costs are written down by the amount of the cash flow deficiency. If a cash flow deficiency remains after reducing the balance of the deferred contract costs to zero, any remaining long-lived assets are evaluated for impairment. Any such impairment recognized would equal the amount by which the carrying value of the long-lived assets exceeds the fair value of those assets.

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Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at historical cost. Replacements and major improvements are capitalized, and repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Furniture and equipment are generally depreciated using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from three to seven years. Software developed for internal use is capitalized. Software is generally amortized over its estimated useful life of three years. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the term of the lease, or over their useful lives from five to 10 years, whichever is shorter. Buildings are depreciated over their estimated useful lives of 31.5 years.

As discussed in Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment Revenue Recognition and Deferred Contract Costs above, the costs associated with certain equipment and software, which may be ultimately transferred to our clients under fixed-price contracts, are capitalized and recorded as deferred contract costs. Such costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the performance period, consistent with the revenue recognition period.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of net assets acquired. Identifiable intangible assets (consisting principally of purchased contract rights and provider contracts) are amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected period to be benefited (generally between one and 15 years).

Goodwill and indefinite-lived assets are not amortized, but are subject to impairment tests on an annual basis or more frequently if indicators of impairment exist. We use a discounted cash flow methodology to assess the fair values of our reporting units. If the carrying values of our reporting units exceed the fair values, we perform a hypothetical purchase price allocation. Impairment is measured by comparing the goodwill derived from the hypothetical purchase price allocation to the carrying value of the goodwill and indefinite-lived asset balance.

Identifiable intangible assets associated with Molina Medicaid Solutions are classified as either contract backlog or customer relationships.

The contract backlog intangible asset comprises all contractual cash flows anticipated to be received during the remaining contracted period for each specific contract relating to work that was performed prior to the acquisition. The contract backlog intangible has been developed on a contract-by-contract basis. The amortization of that portion of the contract backlog intangible associated with contracts for which revenue recognition has not yet commenced is deferred until revenue recognition has begun. Because each acquired contract constitutes a single revenue element, amortization of the contract backlog intangible is recorded to contra-service revenue so that amortization is matched to any revenues associated with contract performance that occurred prior to the acquisition date. The contract backlog intangible asset is amortized on a straight-line basis for each specific contract over periods generally ranging from one to six years.

The customer relationship intangible asset comprises all contractual cash flows that are anticipated to be received during the option periods of each specific contract as well as anticipated renewals of those contracts. The customer relationship intangible is amortized on a straight-line basis for each specific contract over periods generally ranging from four to nine years.

The determination of the value of identifiable intangible assets requires us to make estimates and assumptions about estimated asset lives, future business trends, and growth. In addition to annual impairment testing, we continually evaluate whether events and circumstances have occurred that indicate the balance of identifiable intangible assets may not be recoverable. In evaluating impairment, we compare the estimated fair value of the intangible asset to its underlying book value. Such evaluation is significantly impacted by estimates and assumptions of future revenues, costs and expenses, and other factors. If an event occurs that would cause us to revise our estimates and assumptions used in analyzing the value of our identifiable intangible assets, such revision could result in a non-cash impairment charge that could have a material impact on our financial results.

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As noted above, the amortization of the contract backlog intangibles associated with the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions is recorded as contra-service revenue, rather than as part of depreciation and amortization, to match revenues associated with contract performance that occurred prior to the acquisition date. Additionally, most of the depreciation associated with Molina Medicaid Solutions is recorded as cost of service revenue. The following table presents all depreciation and amortization recorded in our consolidated financial statements:

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 11,954 | \$ 9,832 | \$ 33,234 | \$ 28,468 |
| Amortization recorded as contra-service revenue | 2,655 | | 4,246 | |
| Depreciation recorded as cost of service revenue | 1,964 | | 3,005 | |
| Depreciation and amortization reported in our consolidated statements of cash flows | \$ 16,573 | \$ 9,832 | \$ 40,485 | \$ 28,468 |

Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes is determined using an estimated annual effective tax rate, which is generally greater than the U.S. federal statutory rate primarily because of state taxes. The effective tax rate may be subject to fluctuations during the year as new information is obtained. Such information may affect the assumptions used to estimate the annual effective tax rate, including factors such as the mix of pretax earnings in the various tax jurisdictions in which we operate, valuation allowances against deferred tax assets, the recognition or derecognition of tax benefits related to uncertain tax positions, and changes in or the interpretation of tax laws in jurisdictions where we conduct business. We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of our assets and liabilities, along with net operating loss and tax credit carryovers.

The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits was \$11.0 million and \$4.1 million at September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009, respectively. Approximately \$8.4 million of the unrecognized tax benefits recorded at September 30, 2010, relates to a tax position claimed on a state refund claim that will not result in a cash payment for income taxes if our claim is denied. The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate was \$7.8 million and \$3.4 million as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively. We expect that during the next 12 months it is reasonably possible that unrecognized tax benefit liabilities will decrease by approximately \$0.5 million due to the expiration of statute of limitations.

Our continuing practice is to recognize interest and/or penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. Our accrual for the payment of interest relating to unrecognized tax benefits was \$74,000 and \$75,000 as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively.

Through December 31, 2009, income tax expense included both the Michigan business income tax, or BIT, and Michigan modified gross receipts tax, or MGRT. Effective January 1, 2010, we have recorded the MGRT as a premium tax and not as an income tax. We will continue to record the BIT as an income tax. The MGRT amounted to \$4.6 million and \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, respectively.

Generally, the MGRT is a 0.976% tax (statutory rate of 0.8% plus 21.99% surtax) on modified gross receipts, which for most taxpayers is defined as receipts less purchases from other firms. Managed care organizations, however, are not currently allowed to deduct payments to providers in determining modified gross receipts. As a result, the MGRT is 0.976% of our Michigan plan's receipts and does not vary with levels of pretax income or margins. We believe that presentation of the MGRT as a premium tax produces financial statements that are more useful to the reader.

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Revenue Recognition. In late 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, issued the following new accounting guidance which is first applicable for our January 1, 2011 reporting:

ASU No. 2009-14, Software (ASC Topic 985) *Certain Revenue Arrangements That Include Software Elements*, a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force. This guidance modifies the scope of ASC Subtopic 985-605 *Software-Revenue Recognition* to exclude from its requirements (a) non-software components of tangible products and (b) software components of tangible products that are sold, licensed or leased with tangible products when the software components and non-software components of the tangible product function together to deliver the tangible product's essential functionality. We do not expect the update to impact our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

ASU No. 2009-13, Revenue Recognition (ASC Topic 605) — *Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements*, a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force. This guidance modifies previous requirements by allowing the use of the best estimate of selling price in the absence of vendor-specific objective evidence ("VSOE") or verifiable objective evidence (VOE) (now referred to as TPE or third-party evidence) for determining the selling price of a deliverable. A vendor is now required to use its best estimate of the selling price when more objective evidence of the selling price cannot be determined. In addition, the residual method of allocating arrangement consideration is no longer permitted. We do not expect the update to impact our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Fair Value Measurements. In January 2010, the FASB issued the following guidance which expanded the required disclosures about fair value measurements. Effective for interim and annual reporting beginning after December 15, 2009, with one new disclosure effective after December 15, 2010, we adopted this guidance in full during the interim period ended March 31, 2010.

ASU No. 2010-6, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820) *Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements*. This guidance requires (a) separate disclosure of the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements along with the reasons for such transfers, (b) information about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements to be presented separately in the reconciliation for Level 3 fair value measurements, (c) fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and (d) disclosures about the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements for fair value measurements that fall in either Level 2 or Level 3. The adoption of this guidance did not impact our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

3. Business Combinations**Wisconsin Health Plan**

On September 1, 2010, Molina acquired 100% of the voting equity interests in Avatar Partners, LLC, which is the sole shareholder of Abri Health Plan, Inc. (Abri), a Medicaid managed care organization based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This acquisition is consistent with our stated strategy to enter markets with competitive provider communities, supportive regulatory environments, significant size and, where practicable, mandated Medicaid managed care enrollment.

We expect the final purchase price for the Abri acquisition to be approximately \$16 million, subject to adjustments. As of September 30, 2010, we had paid \$5 million of the total purchase price. There will be two subsequent measurement dates (November 1, 2010 and February 1, 2011) on which we will compute amounts due to the sellers based on the plan's membership on those dates. Following the final membership reconciliation on February 1, 2011, 10% of the final purchase price will be deposited to an escrow account payable at the later of 12 months or the resolution of all unresolved claims. In connection with this acquisition, we recorded \$6.2 million in goodwill, and \$3.9 million in various definite-lived identifiable intangible assets, with a weighted average useful life of 6.3 years. Accumulated amortization totaled approximately \$135,000 as of September 30, 2010, which reflects amortization expense recorded since the acquisition date. We expect to record amortization relating to this acquisition in future years as follows: 2011: \$1.1 million, 2012: \$432,000, 2013: \$396,000, 2014: \$325,000, and 2015: \$281,000.

Molina Medicaid Solutions

On May 1, 2010, we acquired a health information management business that was previously an operating unit of Unisys Corporation. This business now operates under the name *Molina Medicaid Solutions*SM, or Molina Medicaid Solutions. Molina Medicaid Solutions provides design, development, implementation, and business process outsourcing solutions to state governments for their Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS). MMIS is a core tool used to support the administration of state Medicaid and other health care entitlement programs. Molina Medicaid Solutions currently holds MMIS contracts with the states of Idaho, Louisiana, Maine, New Jersey, and West Virginia, as well as a contract to provide drug rebate administration services for the Florida Medicaid program. As a result of this acquisition, we are diversifying our core health plan business, and we believe that the use of a common claims processing platform across our health plans and our new MMIS business will enable us to achieve synergies in the operations of both.

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We paid \$131.3 million to acquire Molina Medicaid Solutions. The acquisition was funded with available cash of \$26 million and \$105 million drawn under our credit facility. In connection with the closing, both the fourth amendment and the fifth amendment to our credit facility became effective (see Note 11, Long-Term Debt).

Recording of assets acquired and liabilities assumed: The transaction has been accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting which requires, among other things, that most assets acquired and liabilities assumed be recognized at their fair values as of the acquisition date. Accounts receivable are based on gross contractual amounts receivable, substantially all of which we expect to collect because the creditors are state governments.

The following table summarizes the provisional acquisition-date fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed:

| | May 1, 2010 (In thousands) |
|--|---|
| Assets | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ 17,128 |
| Other current assets | 3,884 |
| Equipment and other long-term assets | 783 |
| Identifiable intangible assets | 48,150 |
| Goodwill | 72,943 |
| | 142,888 |
| Less: liabilities | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 11,153 |
| Deferred tax liability | 115 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 370 |
| Net assets acquired | \$ 131,250 |

The recorded amounts for assets and liabilities are provisional and subject to change. We will finalize the amounts recognized as we obtain the information necessary to complete the analyses, but by no later than December 31, 2010.

A single estimate of fair value results from a complex series of judgments about future events and uncertainties and relies heavily on estimates and assumptions. Results that differ from the estimates and judgments used to determine the estimated fair value assigned to each class of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, as well as asset lives, can materially impact our results of operations.

Accounts receivable: Accounts receivable are stated at fair value, based on the gross contractual amounts receivable. We expect to collect substantially all of the accounts receivable because the creditors are state governments.

Identifiable intangible assets: The following table is a summary of the fair value estimates of the identifiable intangible assets and their weighted-average useful lives:

| | Estimated Fair Value (In thousands) | Weighted Average Useful Life (years) |
|------------------------|--|---|
| Customer relationships | \$ 24,550 | 5.2 |
| Contract backlog | 23,600 | 3.3 |
| | \$ 48,150 | |

Accumulated amortization totaled approximately \$6.4 million as of September 30, 2010, which reflects total amortization recorded since the acquisition date. For identifiable intangible assets recorded as of September 30, 2010, we expect to record amortization in future years as follows 2011: \$11.2 million, 2012: \$10.6 million, 2013: \$7.1 million, 2014: \$5.3 million, and 2015: \$1.7 million.

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Goodwill: Goodwill in the amount of \$72.9 million was recognized for this acquisition, of which approximately \$70.9 million is expected to be deductible for tax purposes. The total goodwill amount was calculated as the excess of the consideration transferred over the net assets recognized and represents the future economic benefits arising from other assets acquired that could not be individually identified and separately recognized. The goodwill recorded as part of the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions includes:

Expected synergies and other benefits that we believe will result from combining the operations of Molina Medicaid Solutions with the operations of Molina;

Any intangible assets that do not qualify for separate recognition such as the assembled workforce; and

The value of the going-concern element of Molina Medicaid Solutions existing businesses (the higher rate of return on the assembled collection of net assets versus acquiring all of the net assets separately).

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities include \$1.3 million payable to the seller of Molina Medicaid Solutions, which represented a working capital adjustment provided in the purchase agreement. The working capital adjustment provided that the net working capital, or current assets minus current liabilities, on Molina Medicaid Solutions opening balance sheet would equal \$10 million. To the extent the final net working capital conveyed by the seller exceeded \$10 million, the amount would be payable back to the seller; conversely, to the extent that net working capital conveyed by the seller was less than \$10 million, the shortage would be a receivable from the seller. Thus, the \$1.3 million amount described above represents the amount payable to the seller for net working capital in excess of \$10 million on the opening balance sheet, and was paid to the seller in August 2010.

Pro-forma impact of the acquisition: The unaudited pro-forma results presented below include the effects of the acquisition as if it had been consummated as of January 1, 2010 and 2009. The pro-forma results include the amortization associated with the acquired intangible assets and interest expense associated with debt used to fund the acquisition. To better reflect the combined operating results, material non-recurring charges directly attributable to the transaction have been excluded. In addition, the pro-forma results do not include any anticipated synergies or other expected benefits of the acquisition. Accordingly, the unaudited pro forma financial information below is not necessarily indicative of either future results of operations or results that might have been achieved had the acquisition been consummated as of January 1, 2010 or January 1, 2009.

| | Three Months Ended Sept. | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--------------|
| | 30, 2009 | Nine Months Ended Sept. 30, 2010 2009 | |
| Revenue | \$ 942,846 | \$ 3,044,149 | \$ 2,781,356 |
| Net income | \$ 8,557 | \$ 40,645 | \$ 34,369 |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$ 0.33 | \$ 1.52 | \$ 1.32 |

4. Segment Reporting

Our reportable segments are consistent with how we manage the business and view the markets we serve. In the second quarter of 2010, we added a segment to our internal financial reporting structure as a result of the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions described in Note 3, Business Combinations.

We now report our financial performance based on the following two reportable segments Health Plans and Molina Medicaid Solutions. The Health Plans segment represents our former single-segment health plan operations. The Molina Medicaid Solutions segment represents the operations of our new MMIS solutions business.

We rely on an internal management reporting process that provides segment information to the operating income level for purposes of making financial decisions and allocating resources. The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in Note 2, Significant Accounting Policies. The cost of services shared between the Health Plans and Molina Medicaid Solutions segments is charged to the Health Plans segment.

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Operating segment revenues and profitability for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

| | Health Plans | Molina Medicaid Solutions (In thousands) | Total |
|--|-------------------------|---|--------------|
| Three months ended September 30, 2010 | | | |
| Premium revenue | \$ 1,005,115 | \$ | \$ 1,005,115 |
| Service revenue | | 32,271 | 32,271 |
| Investment income | 1,760 | | 1,760 |
| Total revenue | \$ 1,006,875 | \$ 32,271 | \$ 1,039,146 |
| Operating income | \$ 28,796 | \$ 1,157 | \$ 29,953 |
| Nine months ended September 30, 2010 | | | |
| Premium revenue | \$ 2,947,020 | \$ | \$ 2,947,020 |
| Service revenue | | 53,325 | 53,325 |
| Investment income | 4,880 | | 4,880 |
| Total revenue | \$ 2,951,900 | \$ 53,325 | \$ 3,005,225 |
| Operating income | \$ 65,407 | \$ 6,162 | \$ 71,569 |
| Three months ended September 30, 2009 | | | |
| Premium revenue | \$ 914,805 | \$ | \$ 914,805 |
| Service revenue | | | |
| Investment income | 1,707 | | 1,707 |
| Total revenue | \$ 916,512 | \$ | \$ 916,512 |
| Operating income | \$ 15,089 | \$ | \$ 15,089 |
| Nine months ended September 30, 2009 | | | |
| Premium revenue | \$ 2,697,796 | \$ | \$ 2,697,796 |
| Service revenue | | | |
| Investment income | 7,336 | | 7,336 |
| Total revenue | \$ 2,705,132 | \$ | \$ 2,705,132 |
| Operating income | \$ 57,738 | \$ | \$ 57,738 |

Reconciliation to Income before Income Taxes

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Segment operating income | \$ 29,953 | \$ 15,089 | \$ 71,569 | \$ 57,738 |
| Interest expense | (4,600) | (3,279) | (12,056) | (9,917) |
| Income before income taxes | \$ 25,353 | \$ 11,810 | \$ 59,513 | \$ 47,821 |

Segment Assets

| | Health Plans | | Molina Medicaid | Total |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|--------------|
| | | | Solutions | |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| As of September 30, 2010 | \$ 1,261,967 | \$ 169,463 | | \$ 1,431,430 |
| As of December 31, 2009 | \$ 1,245,235 | | | \$ 1,245,235 |

Table of Contents**5. Earnings per Share**

The denominators for the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share were calculated as follows:

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Shares outstanding at the beginning of the period | 25,811 | 25,529 | 25,607 | 26,725 |
| Weighted-average number of shares issued | 2,279 | | 768 | |
| Weighted-average number of shares purchased | | | | (865) |
| Weighted-average number of shares issued | 28 | 10 | 136 | 84 |
| Denominator for basic earnings per share | 28,118 | 25,539 | 26,511 | 25,944 |
| Dilutive effect of employee stock options and stock grants(1) | 245 | 91 | 291 | 114 |
| Denominator for diluted earnings per share(2) | 28,363 | 25,630 | 26,802 | 26,058 |

(1) Options to purchase common shares are included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share when their exercise prices are below the average fair value of the common shares for each of the periods presented. For the three months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, there were approximately 472,000 and 618,000 antidilutive weighted options, respectively. For the nine months ended

September 30, 2010, and 2009, there were approximately 492,000 and 622,000 antidilutive weighted options, respectively.

Restricted shares are included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share when their grant date fair values are below the average fair value of the common shares for each of the periods presented. For the three months ended

September 30, 2010, and 2009, there were approximately 6,000, and 232,000 antidilutive weighted restricted shares, respectively.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, there were approximately 6,000, and 28,000 antidilutive weighted restricted shares, respectively.

- (2) Potentially dilutive shares issuable pursuant to our convertible senior notes were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because to do so would have been anti-dilutive for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2010 and 2009.

6. Share-Based Compensation

At September 30, 2010, we had employee equity incentives outstanding under two plans: (1) the 2002 Equity Incentive Plan; and (2) the 2000 Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan (from which equity incentives are no longer awarded). Charged to general and administrative expenses, total stock-based compensation expense was as follows for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2010 and 2009:

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Restricted stock awards | \$ 2,367 | \$ 1,787 | \$ 6,113 | \$ 4,661 |
| Stock options (including shares issued under our employee stock purchase plan) | 393 | 485 | 1,155 | 1,069 |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$ 2,760 | \$ 2,272 | \$ 7,268 | \$ 5,730 |

As of September 30, 2010, there was \$14.4 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested restricted stock awards, which we expect to recognize over a remaining weighted-average period of 2.7 years. Also as of September 30, 2010, there was \$352,000 of unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock options, which we expect to recognize over a remaining weighted-average period of 0.6 years.

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The total fair value of restricted shares granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$11.9 million and \$7.8 million, respectively. The total fair value of restricted shares vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$6.1 million and \$3.0 million, respectively. Restricted stock activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 is summarized below:

| | Shares | Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value |
|---|-----------|---|
| Unvested balance as of December 31, 2009 | 687,630 | \$ 24.64 |
| Granted | 521,225 | 22.78 |
| Vested | (257,781) | 25.83 |
| Forfeited | (87,875) | 23.32 |
| Unvested balance as of September 30, 2010 | 863,199 | 23.30 |

Stock option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 is summarized below:

| | Shares | Weighted Average Exercise Price | Aggregate Intrinsic Value (In thousands) | Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (Years) |
|---|----------|--|--|--|
| Stock options outstanding as of December 31, 2009 | 650,739 | \$ 30.25 | | |
| Exercised | (29,702) | 25.58 | | |
| Forfeited | (11,513) | 32.39 | | |
| Stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2010 | 609,524 | 30.44 | \$ 583 | 4.4 |
| Stock options exercisable and expected to vest as of September 30, 2010 | 606,816 | 30.43 | \$ 582 | 4.4 |
| Exercisable as of September 30, 2010 | 559,974 | 30.29 | \$ 580 | 4.2 |

7. Fair Value Measurements

Our consolidated balance sheets include the following financial instruments: cash and cash equivalents, investments, receivables, trade accounts payable, medical claims and benefits payable, long-term debt and other liabilities. We consider the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other current assets and current liabilities to approximate their fair value because of the relatively short period of time between the origination of these instruments and their expected realization or payment. For a comprehensive discussion of fair value measurements with regard to our current and non-current investments, see below.

Based on quoted market prices, the fair value of our convertible senior notes issued in October 2007 was \$181.4 million at September 30, 2010, and \$160.8 million at December 31, 2009. The carrying amount of the convertible senior notes was \$162.7 million at September 30, 2010, and \$158.9 million at December 31, 2009.

To prioritize the inputs we use in measuring fair value, we apply a three-tier fair value hierarchy. These tiers include: Level 1, defined as observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets; Level 2, defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable; and Level 3, defined as unobservable inputs in which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions.

As of September 30, 2010, we held certain assets that are required to be measured at fair value on a recurring basis. These included investments as follows:

| Balance Sheet Classification | Description |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| <i>Current assets:</i> | |
| Investments (see Note 8) | Investment grade debt securities; designated as available-for-sale; reported at fair value based on market prices that are readily available (Level 1). |
| <i>Non-current assets:</i> | |
| Investments (see Note 8) | Auction rate securities; designated as available-for-sale; reported at fair value based on discounted cash flow analysis or other type of valuation model (Level 3). |

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As of September 30, 2010, \$24.7 million par value (\$20.3 million fair value) of our investments consisted of auction rate securities, all of which were collateralized by student loan portfolios guaranteed by the U.S. government. We continued to earn interest on substantially all of these auction rate securities as of September 30, 2010. Due to events in the credit markets, the auction rate securities held by us experienced failed auctions beginning in the first quarter of 2008. As such, quoted prices in active markets were not readily available during the majority of 2008, all of 2009, and continued to be unavailable as of September 30, 2010. To estimate the fair value of these securities, we used pricing models that included factors such as the collateral underlying the securities, the creditworthiness of the counterparty, the timing of expected future cash flows, and the expectation of the next time the security would have a successful auction. The estimated values of these securities were also compared, when possible, to valuation data with respect to similar securities held by other parties. We concluded that these estimates, given the lack of market available pricing, provided a reasonable basis for determining fair value of the auction rate securities as of September 30, 2010.

As of September 30, 2010, all of our auction rate securities were designated as available-for-sale securities. As a result of the decrease in fair value of auction rate securities designated as available-for-sale, we recorded pretax unrealized losses of \$0.5 million to accumulated other comprehensive loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. We have deemed these unrealized losses to be temporary and attribute the decline in value to liquidity issues, as a result of the failed auction market, rather than to credit issues. Any future fluctuation in fair value related to these instruments that we deem to be temporary, including any recoveries of previous write-downs, would be recorded to accumulated other comprehensive loss. If we determine that any future valuation adjustment was other-than-temporary, we would record a charge to earnings as appropriate.

Until July 2, 2010, we held auction rate securities (designated as trading securities) with a certain investment securities firm. In the fourth quarter of 2008, we entered into a rights agreement with this firm that (1) allowed us to exercise rights (the Rights) to sell the eligible auction rate securities at par value to this firm between June 30, 2010 and July 2, 2012, and (2) gave the investment securities firm the right to purchase the auction rate securities from us any time after the agreement date as long as we received the par value. The remaining eligible auction rate securities, totaling \$15.9 million as of June 30, 2010, were sold at par value on July 1, 2010. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we recorded pretax gains of \$4.2 million and \$3.5 million, respectively, on the auction rate securities underlying the Rights.

We accounted for the Rights as a freestanding financial instrument and, until July 2, 2010, recorded the value of the Rights under the fair value option. When the remaining eligible auction rate securities were sold at par value on July 1, 2010, the value of the Rights was zero. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we recorded pretax losses of \$3.8 million and \$3.2 million, respectively, on the Rights.

Our assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis at September 30, 2010, were as follows:

| | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using | | | |
|--|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Total | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Government -sponsored enterprise securities | \$ 70,787 | \$ 70,787 | \$ | \$ |
| Municipal securities | 23,644 | 23,644 | | |
| Corporate debt securities | 79,354 | 79,354 | | |
| U.S. treasury notes | 18,296 | 18,296 | | |
| Certificates of deposit | 3,277 | 3,277 | | |
| Auction rate securities (available-for-sale) | 20,294 | | | 20,294 |
| Total assets measured at fair value | \$ 215,652 | \$ 195,358 | \$ | \$ 20,294 |

The following table presents a roll-forward of the balance of our assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3):

(Level 3)

| | (In thousands) |
|--|-----------------------|
| Balance at December 31, 2009 | \$ 63,494 |
| Total gains (losses): | |
| Included in earnings: | |
| Auction rate securities designated as trading securities | 4,170 |
| Change in fair value of Rights | (3,807) |
| Included in other comprehensive income | (513) |
| Settlements | (43,050) |
| Balance at September 30, 2010 | \$ 20,294 |
| The amount of total losses for the period included in other comprehensive loss attributable to the change in unrealized losses relating to assets still held at September 30, 2010 | \$ (513) |

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The following tables summarize our investments as of the dates indicated:

| | Cost | September 30, 2010 | | Estimated Fair Value |
|--|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| | | Gains | Losses | |
| | | Gross Unrealized | | |
| | | (In thousands) | | |
| Government-sponsored enterprise securities | \$ 70,687 | \$ 426 | \$ 326 | \$ 70,787 |
| Municipal securities (including non-current auction rate securities) | 48,293 | 144 | 4,499 | 43,938 |
| Corporate debt securities | 79,892 | 163 | 701 | 79,354 |
| U.S. treasury notes | 18,169 | 137 | 10 | 18,296 |
| Certificates of deposit | 3,277 | | | 3,277 |
| | \$ 220,318 | \$ 870 | \$ 5,536 | \$ 215,652 |

| | Cost | December 31, 2009 | | Estimated Fair Value |
|--|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| | | Gains | Losses | |
| | | Gross Unrealized | | |
| | | (In thousands) | | |
| Government-sponsored enterprise securities | \$ 89,451 | \$ 504 | \$ 281 | \$ 89,674 |
| Municipal securities (including non-current auction rate securities) | 82,009 | 3,120 | 4,154 | 80,975 |
| Corporate debt securities | 32,543 | 206 | 185 | 32,564 |
| U.S. treasury notes | 28,052 | 92 | 84 | 28,060 |
| Certificates of deposit | 3,258 | | | 3,258 |
| | \$ 235,313 | \$ 3,922 | \$ 4,704 | \$ 234,531 |

The contractual maturities of our investments as of September 30, 2010 are summarized below.

| | Cost | Estimated Fair Value |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| | (In thousands) | |
| Due in one year or less | \$ 100,109 | \$ 99,474 |
| Due one year through five years | 94,779 | 95,071 |
| Due after five years through ten years | 1,430 | 1,421 |
| Due after ten years | 24,000 | 19,686 |
| | \$ 220,318 | \$ 215,652 |

Gross realized gains and gross realized losses from sales of available-for-sale securities are calculated under the specific identification method and are included in investment income. Total proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities were \$35.4 million and \$66.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, respectively. Total proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities were \$101.3 million and \$148.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, respectively. Net realized investment gains for the three months

and nine months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009 were not significant.

We monitor our investments for other-than-temporary impairment. For investments other than our municipal securities, we have determined that unrealized gains and losses at September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009, are temporary in nature, because the change in market value for these securities has resulted from fluctuating interest rates, rather than a deterioration of the credit worthiness of the issuers. So long as we hold these securities to maturity, we are unlikely to experience gains or losses. In the event that we dispose of these securities before maturity, we expect that realized gains or losses, if any, will be immaterial.

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Approximately half of our investment in municipal securities consists of auction rate securities. As described in Note 7, Fair Value Measurements, the unrealized losses on these investments were caused primarily by the illiquidity in the auction markets. Because the decline in market value is not due to the credit quality of the issuers, and because we do not intend to sell, nor is it more likely than not that we will be required to sell, these investments before recovery of their cost, we do not consider the auction rate securities that are designated as available-for-sale to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2010.

The following table segregates those available-for-sale investments that have been in a continuous loss position for less than 12 months, and those that have been in a loss position for 12 months or more as of September 30, 2010.

| | In a Continuous Loss Position for Less than 12 Months | | In a Continuous Loss Position for 12 Months or More | | Total | |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Losses |
| | (In thousands) | | | | | |
| Government-sponsored enterprise securities | \$ 7,712 | \$ 17 | \$ 9,639 | \$ 309 | \$ 17,351 | \$ 326 |
| Municipal securities | 9,110 | 55 | 23,963 | 4,444 | 33,073 | 4,499 |
| Corporate debt securities | 45,090 | 331 | 12,350 | 370 | 57,440 | 701 |
| U.S. treasury notes | 8,558 | 10 | | | 8,558 | 10 |
| | \$ 70,470 | \$ 413 | \$ 45,952 | \$ 5,123 | \$ 116,422 | \$ 5,536 |

The following table segregates those available-for-sale investments that have been in a continuous loss position for less than 12 months, and those that have been in a loss position for 12 months or more as of December 31, 2009. At December 31, 2009, we previously reported only those available-for-sale investments in an unrealized loss position for at least two consecutive months. To conform to the current year presentation, we have included all available-for-sale investments in an unrealized loss position at December 31, 2009. This presentation change increased the total amount of unrealized losses reported in the following table by \$113,000 at December 31, 2009. The accompanying increase to the estimated fair value of the underlying investments amounted to \$42.9 million at December 31, 2009.

| | In a Continuous Loss Position for Less than 12 Months | | In a Continuous Loss Position for 12 Months or More | | Total | |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Estimated Fair Value | Unrealized Losses |
| | (In thousands) | | | | | |
| Government-sponsored enterprise securities | \$ 30,460 | \$ 187 | \$ 7,297 | \$ 94 | \$ 37,757 | \$ 281 |
| Municipal securities | 12,460 | 78 | 24,031 | 3,902 | 36,491 | 3,980 |
| Corporate debt securities | 13,513 | 149 | 1,203 | 36 | 14,716 | 185 |
| U.S. treasury notes | 21,824 | 84 | | | 21,824 | 84 |
| | \$ 78,257 | \$ 498 | \$ 32,531 | \$ 4,032 | \$ 110,788 | \$ 4,530 |

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Health Plans receivables consist primarily of amounts due from the various states in which we operate. Such receivables are subject to potential retroactive adjustment. Molina Medicaid Solutions receivables consist primarily of MMIS development milestone billings to states. Because all of our receivable amounts are readily determinable and our creditors are in almost all instances state governments, our allowance for doubtful accounts is immaterial. Any amounts determined to be uncollectible are charged to expense when such determination is made. Accounts receivable were as follows:

| | Sept. 30, 2010 | Dec. 31, 2009 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| | (In thousands) | |
| Health Plans: | | |
| California | \$ 96,797 | \$ 34,289 |
| Michigan | 14,285 | 14,977 |
| Missouri | 21,576 | 19,670 |
| New Mexico | 17,757 | 11,919 |
| Ohio | 23,142 | 37,004 |
| Utah | 5,220 | 6,107 |
| Washington | 14,281 | 9,910 |
| Wisconsin | 6,651 | |
| Others | 3,424 | 2,778 |
| | 203,133 | 136,654 |
| Molina Medicaid Solutions | 22,414 | |
| Total receivables | \$ 225,547 | \$ 136,654 |

10. Restricted Investments

Pursuant to the regulations governing our Health Plan subsidiaries, we maintain statutory deposits and deposits required by state Medicaid authorities in certificates of deposit and U.S. treasury securities. Additionally, we maintain restricted investments as protection against the insolvency of capitated providers. The following table presents the balances of restricted investments by health plan, and by our insurance company:

| | Sept. 30, 2010 | Dec. 31, 2009 |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| | (In thousands) | |
| California | \$ 369 | \$ 368 |
| Florida | 4,466 | 2,052 |
| Michigan | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Missouri | 500 | 503 |
| New Mexico | 18,873 | 15,497 |
| Ohio | 9,061 | 9,036 |
| Texas | 3,501 | 1,515 |
| Utah | 1,280 | 578 |
| Washington | 151 | 151 |
| Wisconsin | 260 | |
| Insurance company | 4,689 | 4,686 |
| Other | 897 | 888 |

Total \$ 45,047 \$ 36,274

The contractual maturities of our held-to-maturity restricted investments as of September 30, 2010 are summarized below.

| | Amortized Cost | Estimated Fair Value |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | (In thousands) | |
| Due in one year or less | \$ 36,148 | \$ 36,155 |
| Due one year through five years | 8,774 | 8,815 |
| Due after five years through ten years | 125 | 164 |
| | \$ 45,047 | \$ 45,134 |

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We are a party to an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 9, 2005, as amended by the first amendment on October 5, 2005, the second amendment on November 6, 2006, the third amendment on May 25, 2008, the fourth amendment on November 2009, and the fifth amendment on March 15, 2010, among Molina Healthcare Inc., certain lenders, and Bank of America N.A., as Administrative Agent (the Credit Facility) for a revolving credit line of \$150 million that matures in May 2012. The Credit Facility is intended to be used for general corporate purposes. As described below and in Note 3, Business Combinations, we borrowed \$105 million under the Credit Facility to acquire Molina Medicaid Solutions in the second quarter of 2010. During the third quarter of 2010, we repaid this amount using proceeds from our equity offering, described in Note 12, Stockholders Equity. As of September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009, there was no outstanding principal balance under the Credit Facility.

To the extent that in the future we incur any obligations under the Credit Facility, such obligations will be secured by a lien on substantially all of our assets and by a pledge of the capital stock of our health plan subsidiaries (with the exception of the California health plan). The Credit Facility includes usual and customary covenants for credit facilities of this type, including covenants limiting liens, mergers, asset sales, other fundamental changes, debt, acquisitions, dividends and other distributions, capital expenditures, investments, and a fixed charge coverage ratio. The Credit Facility also requires us to maintain a ratio of total consolidated debt to total consolidated EBITDA of not more than 2.75 to 1.00 at any time. At September 30, 2010, we were in compliance with all financial covenants in the Credit Facility.

The commitment fee on the total unused commitments of the lenders under the Credit Facility is 50 basis points on all levels of the pricing grid, with the pricing grid referring to our ratio of consolidated funded debt to consolidated EBITDA. The pricing for LIBOR loans and base rate loans is 200 basis points at every level of the pricing grid. Thus, the applicable margins under the Credit Facility range between 2.75% and 3.75% for LIBOR loans, and between 1.75% and 2.75% for base rate loans. The Credit Facility carves out from our indebtedness and restricted payment covenants under the Credit Facility the \$187.0 million current principal amount of the convertible senior notes, although the \$187.0 million indebtedness is included in the calculation of our consolidated leverage ratio. The fixed charge coverage ratio set forth pursuant to the Credit Facility was 2.75x (on a pro forma basis) at December 31, 2009, and 3.00x thereafter.

The fifth amendment increased the maximum consolidated leverage ratio under the Credit Facility to 3.25 to 1.0 for the fourth quarter of 2009 (on a pro forma basis), and to 3.50 to 1.0 for the first and second quarters of 2010, and through August 14, 2010. Effective as of August 15, 2010, the consolidated leverage ratio under the Credit Facility reverted back to 2.75 to 1.0. In connection with the lenders approval of the fifth amendment, we paid an amendment fee of 25 basis points on the amount of each consenting lender's commitment. We also paid an incremental commitment fee of 12.5 basis points based on each lender's unfunded commitment during the period from the effective date of the fifth amendment through August 15, 2010.

Convertible Senior Notes

In October 2007, we sold \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of 3.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2014 (the Notes). The sale of the Notes resulted in net proceeds totaling \$193.4 million. During 2009, we purchased and retired \$13.0 million face amount of the Notes, so the remaining aggregate principal amount totaled \$187.0 million at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009. The Notes rank equally in right of payment with our existing and future senior indebtedness.

The Notes are convertible into cash and, under certain circumstances, shares of our common stock. The initial conversion rate is 21.3067 shares of our common stock per one thousand dollar principal amount of the Notes. This represents an initial conversion price of approximately \$46.93 per share of our common stock. In addition, if certain corporate transactions that constitute a change of control occur prior to maturity, we will increase the conversion rate in certain circumstances. Prior to July 2014, holders may convert their Notes only under the following circumstances:

During any fiscal quarter after our fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2007, if the closing sale price per share of our common stock, for each of at least 20 trading days during the period of 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the previous fiscal quarter, is greater than or equal to 120% of the

conversion price per share of our common stock;

During the five business day period immediately following any five consecutive trading day period in which the trading price per one thousand dollar principal amount of the Notes for each trading day of such period was less than 98% of the product of the closing price per share of our common stock on such day and the conversion rate in effect on such day; or

Upon the occurrence of specified corporate transactions or other specified events.

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On or after July 1, 2014, holders may convert their Notes at any time prior to the close of business on the scheduled trading day immediately preceding the stated maturity date regardless of whether any of the foregoing conditions is satisfied.

We will deliver cash and shares of our common stock, if any, upon conversion of each \$1,000 principal amount of Notes, as follows:

An amount in cash (the principal return) equal to the sum of, for each of the 20 Volume-Weighted Average Price (VWAP) trading days during the conversion period, the lesser of the daily conversion value for such VWAP trading day and fifty dollars (representing 1/20th of one thousand dollars); and

A number of shares based upon, for each of the 20 VWAP trading days during the conversion period, any excess of the daily conversion value above fifty dollars.

The proceeds from the issuance of such convertible debt instruments have been allocated between a liability component and an equity component. We have determined that the effective interest rate of the Notes is 7.5%, principally based on the seven-year U.S. treasury note rate as of the October 2007 issuance date, plus an appropriate credit spread. The resulting debt discount is being amortized over the period the Notes are expected to be outstanding, as additional non-cash interest expense. As of September 30, 2010, we expect the Notes to be outstanding until their October 1, 2014 maturity date, for a remaining amortization period of 48 months. The Notes if-converted value did not exceed their principal amount as of September 30, 2010. At September 30, 2010, the equity component of the Notes, net of the impact of deferred taxes, was \$24.0 million. The following table provides the details of the liability amounts recorded:

| | As of September 30, 2010 | As of December 31, 2009 |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| | (In thousands) | |
| Details of the liability component: | | |
| Principal amount | \$ 187,000 | \$ 187,000 |
| Unamortized discount | (24,300) | (28,100) |
| Net carrying amount | \$ 162,700 | \$ 158,900 |

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|-------------|--|-------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Interest cost recognized for the period relating to the: | | | | |
| Contractual interest coupon rate of 3.75% | \$ 1,753 | \$ 1,753 | \$ 5,259 | \$ 5,323 |
| Amortization of the discount on the liability component | 1,291 | 1,197 | 3,800 | 3,563 |
| Total interest cost recognized | \$ 3,044 | \$ 2,950 | \$ 9,059 | \$ 8,886 |

12. Stockholders Equity

In August 2010, we commenced an underwritten public offering of 4,000,000 shares of our common stock, conducted pursuant to an effective registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 8, 2008. In connection with the offering, we granted the underwriters an overallotment option to purchase up to 350,000 shares, and the single selling stockholder, the Molina Siblings Trust, granted the underwriters an option to purchase up

to 250,000 shares. The overallotment option was subsequently exercised in August 2010. Our chief financial officer, John Molina, is the trustee of the Molina Siblings Trust, with sole voting and investment power. Dr. J. Mario Molina, our president and chief executive officer and the brother of John Molina, is a beneficiary of the Molina Siblings Trust, as is John Molina and each of his other three siblings.

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We issued 4,350,000 shares in connection with the offering, including the overallotment option. Net of the underwriting discount, proceeds from the offering totaled \$111.6 million, or \$25.65 per share. We used the net proceeds of the offering to repay the outstanding indebtedness under the Credit Facility and for general corporate purposes. We did not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling stockholder.

13. Commitments and Contingencies

The health care industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of federal, state, and local governments. Compliance with these laws and regulations can be subject to government review and interpretation, as well as regulatory actions unknown and unasserted at this time. Penalties associated with violations of these laws and regulations include significant fines, exclusion from participating in publicly funded programs, and the repayment of previously billed and collected revenues.

We are involved in various legal actions in the normal course of business, some of which seek monetary damages, including claims for punitive damages, which are not covered by insurance. These actions, when finally concluded and determined, are not likely, in our opinion, to have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial position, cash flows, or results of operations.

Provider Claims

Many of our medical contracts are complex in nature and may be subject to differing interpretations regarding amounts due for the provision of various services. Such differing interpretations have led certain medical providers to pursue us for additional compensation. The claims made by providers in such circumstances often involve issues of contract compliance, interpretation, payment methodology, and intent. These claims often extend to services provided by the providers over a number of years.

Various providers have contacted us seeking additional compensation for claims that we believe to have been settled. These matters, when finally concluded and determined, will not, in our opinion, have a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

Contract Losses

Our MMIS service contracts with various states typically span several years. These contracts often involve the development and deployment of new computer systems and technologies. Substantial performance risk exists in each contract with these characteristics, and some or all elements of service delivery under these contracts are dependent upon successful completion of the design, development and implementation phase. On occasion, these contracts have experienced delays in their design, development and implementation phase, the achievement of certain milestones has been delayed, and costs in excess of those anticipated have been incurred. We continuously review and reassess our estimates of contract profitability. If our estimates indicate that a contract loss will occur, a loss accrual is recorded in the period it is first identified, if allowed by relevant accounting guidance. Circumstances that could potentially result in contract losses over the life of the contract include variances from expected costs to deliver our services, and other factors affecting revenues and costs. It is reasonably possible that deferred costs associated with one or more of these contracts could become impaired due to changes in estimates of future contract cash flows.

Table of Contents**Regulatory Capital and Dividend Restrictions**

The principal operations of our Health Plans segment are conducted through our health plan subsidiaries operating in California, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. Our health plans are subject to state regulations that, among other things, require the maintenance of minimum levels of statutory capital, as defined by each state, and restrict the timing, payment and amount of dividends and other distributions that may be paid to us as the sole stockholder. To the extent the subsidiaries must comply with these regulations, they may not have the financial flexibility to transfer funds to us. The net assets in these subsidiaries (after intercompany eliminations) which may not be transferable to us in the form of loans, advances or cash dividends was \$380.0 million at September 30, 2010, and \$368.7 million at December 31, 2009. The National Association of Insurance Commissioners, or NAIC, adopted rules effective December 31, 1998, which, if implemented by the states, set new minimum capitalization requirements for insurance companies, HMOs and other entities bearing risk for health care coverage. The requirements take the form of risk-based capital (RBC) rules. Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin, and Utah have adopted these rules, which may vary from state to state. California and Florida have not yet adopted NAIC risk-based capital requirements for HMOs and have not formally given notice of their intention to do so. Such requirements, if adopted by California and Florida, may increase the minimum capital required for those states.

As of September 30, 2010, our health plans had aggregate statutory capital and surplus of approximately \$401.3 million compared with the required minimum aggregate statutory capital and surplus of approximately \$258.7 million. All of our health plans were in compliance with the minimum capital requirements at September 30, 2010. We have the ability and commitment to provide additional capital to each of our health plans when necessary to ensure that statutory capital and surplus continue to meet regulatory requirements.

14. Related Party Transactions

We have an equity investment in a medical service provider that provides certain vision services to our members. We account for this investment under the equity method of accounting because we have an ownership interest in the investee that confers significant influence over operating and financial policies of the investee. As of September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009, our carrying amount for this investment totaled \$4.4 million, and \$4.1 million, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we paid \$6.0 million, and \$4.5 million, respectively, for medical service fees to this provider. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, we paid \$15.7 million, and \$15.0 million, respectively, for medical service fees to this provider.

We are a party to a fee-for-service agreement with Pacific Hospital of Long Beach (Pacific Hospital). Pacific Hospital is owned by Abrazos Healthcare, Inc., the shares of which are held as community property by the husband of Dr. Martha Bernadett, the sister of Dr. J. Mario Molina, our Chief Executive Officer, and John Molina, our Chief Financial Officer. Amounts paid to Pacific Hospital under the terms of this fee-for-service agreement were \$0.8 million, and \$0.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. We believe that the fee-for-service with Pacific Hospital is based on prevailing market rates for similar services.

Table of Contents**Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.****Forward Looking Statements**

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, or Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or Securities Exchange Act. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this quarterly report may be deemed to be forward-looking statements for purposes of the Securities Act and the Securities Exchange Act. We use the words anticipate(s), believe(s), estimate(s), expect(s), intend(s), may, plan(s), project(s), will, expressions to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. We cannot guarantee that we will actually achieve the plans, intentions, or expectations disclosed in our forward-looking statements and, accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements. There are a number of important factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from the forward-looking statements that we make. You should read these factors and the other cautionary statements as being applicable to all related forward-looking statements wherever they appear in this quarterly report. We caution you that we do not undertake any obligation to update forward-looking statements made by us. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results in future periods to differ materially from those projected, estimated, expected, or contemplated as a result of, but not limited to, risk factors related to the following:

- budgetary pressures on the federal and state governments and their resulting inability to fully fund Medicaid, Medicare, or CHIP, or to maintain current payment rates, benefit packages, or membership eligibility thresholds and criteria;
- uncertainties regarding the impact of the recently enacted Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, including the funding provisions related to health plans, and uncertainties regarding the likely impact of other federal or state health care and insurance reform measures;
- management of our medical costs, including normal seasonal flu patterns and rates of utilization that are consistent with our expectations;
- the accurate estimation of incurred but not paid medical costs across our health plans;
- retroactive adjustments to premium revenue or accounting estimates which require adjustment based upon subsequent developments, including our ability to retain expected Medicaid pharmaceutical rebates;
- the continuation and renewal of the government contracts of our health plans and if renewed, the terms on which such contracts are renewed;
- our ability and the ability of our providers to maintain state accreditations to participate in certain state Medicaid programs;
- changes with respect to our provider contracts and the loss of providers;
- changes in services offered, number of our members, membership mix and membership demographics;
- performance of our principal vendors pursuant to our vendor contracts;
- the integration of Molina Medicaid Solutions, including its employees, systems, and operations;
- the retention and renewal of the Molina Medicaid Solutions state government contracts on terms consistent with our expectations;
- the accuracy of our operating cost and capital outlay projections for Molina Medicaid Solutions;
- the timing of receipt and recognition of revenue and the amortization of expense under our various state contracts held by Molina Medicaid Solutions, including the state of Idaho's acceptance of the MMIS;
- additional administrative costs and the potential payment of damages amounts as a result of MMIS system issues in Idaho;
- the implementation of the expected 2% premium rate increase in California, retroactively effective October 1, 2010;
- the expansion of service in 174 rural counties by our Texas health plan under Texas CHIP Rural Service Area Program;
- government audits and reviews, including the audit of our Medicare plans by CMS at the end of July 2010;

the establishment of a federal or state medical cost expenditure floor as a percentage of the premiums we receive;
revenue recognition and the interpretation and implementation of medical cost expenditure floors, administrative cost and profit ceilings, and profit sharing arrangements in state contracts in New Mexico, Florida, and Texas;
the interpretation and implementation of at-risk premium rules in Ohio, New Mexico, and Texas that require us to meet certain performance measures in order to earn all of our contract revenue in those states;

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rate increases that do not adequately compensate us for the loss of drug rebates as a result of health reform;
up-coding by providers or billing in a manner at material variance with historic patterns;
approval by state regulators of dividends and distributions by our subsidiaries;
changes in funding under our contracts as a result of regulatory changes, programmatic adjustments, or other reforms;
high dollar claims related to catastrophic illness;
the favorable resolution of litigation or arbitration matters;
restrictions and covenants in our credit facility;
the success of our efforts to leverage our administrative costs to address the needs associated with increased enrollment;
the relatively small number of states in which we operate health plans and the impact on the consolidated entity of adverse developments in any single health plan;
the availability of financing to fund and capitalize our acquisitions and start-up activities and to meet our liquidity needs;
a state's failure to renew its federal Medicaid waiver;
an unauthorized disclosure of confidential member information;
changes in laws regarding the transmission, security and privacy of protected health information and costs associated to comply with such changes;
changes generally affecting the managed care or Medicaid management information systems industries;
increases in government surcharges, taxes and assessments; and
general economic conditions, including unemployment rates.

Investors should refer to Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, and to Part II, Item 1A – Risk Factors, in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2010, and June 30, 2010, and in this Quarterly Report, for a discussion of certain risk factors that could materially affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations. Given these risks and uncertainties, we can give no assurances that any results or events projected or contemplated by our forward-looking statements will in fact occur and we caution investors not to place undue reliance on these statements.

This document and the following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements and the notes to those statements appearing elsewhere in this report and the audited financial statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis appearing in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Reclassifications

Effective January 1, 2010, we have recorded the Michigan modified gross receipts tax, or MGRT, as a premium tax and not as an income tax. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform to this presentation.

In prior periods, general and administrative, or G&A, expenses have included premium tax expenses. Beginning in the second quarter of 2010, we have reported premium tax expenses on a separate line in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. Prior periods have been reclassified to conform to this presentation.

Overview

Molina Healthcare, Inc. is a multi-state managed care organization that arranges for the delivery of health care services to persons eligible for Medicaid, Medicare, and other government-sponsored health care programs for low-income families and individuals. We conduct our business primarily through licensed health plans in the states of California, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. The health plans are locally operated by our respective wholly owned subsidiaries in those states, each of which is licensed as a health maintenance organization, or HMO.

On May 1, 2010, we acquired a health information management business which we now operate under the name, *Molina Medicaid Solutions*SM. Molina Medicaid Solutions provides design, development, implementation, and business process outsourcing solutions to state governments for their Medicaid Management Information Systems, or MMIS. MMIS is a core tool used to support the administration of state Medicaid and other health care entitlement programs. Molina Medicaid Solutions currently holds MMIS contracts with the states of Idaho, Louisiana, Maine, New Jersey, and West Virginia, as well as a contract to provide drug rebate administration services for the Florida

Medicaid program. We paid \$131.3 million to acquire Molina Medicaid Solutions. The acquisition was funded with available cash of \$26 million and \$105 million drawn under our credit facility.

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With the addition of Molina Medicaid Solutions, we have added a segment to our internal financial reporting structure in 2010. We will now report our financial performance based on the following two reportable segments:

Health Plans; and

Molina Medicaid Solutions.

Health Plans Segment

Our Health Plans segment derives its revenue, in the form of premiums, chiefly from Medicaid contracts with the states in which our health plans operate. The majority of medical costs associated with premium revenues are risk-based costs while the health plans receive fixed per member per month premium payments from the states, the health plans are at risk for the costs of their members health care. Our Health Plans segment operates in a highly regulated environment with minimum capitalization requirements. These capitalization requirements, among other things, limit the health plans ability to pay dividends to us without regulatory approval.

As of September 30, 2010, our health plans were located in California, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. Additionally, we operate three county-owned primary care clinics in Virginia.

Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment

Unlike the Health Plans segment, the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment is a service-based business that adds to our revenue stream without assuming additional medical cost risk. Additionally, the capital requirements of the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment are except in the case of new contract start-ups considerably less than those of our Health Plans segment. Regulatory approval is not required for the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment to pay dividends to us.

While we believe that the acquisition of the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment diversifies our risk profile, we also believe that the two segments are complementary from strategic and operating perspectives. From a strategic perspective, both segments allow us to participate in an expanding sector of the economy while continuing our mission to serve low-income families and individuals eligible for government-sponsored health care programs. Operationally, the segments share a common systems platform allowing for efficiencies of scale and common experience in meeting the needs of state Medicaid programs. We also believe that we have opportunities to market various cost containment and quality practices used by our Health Plans segment (such as care management and care coordination programs) to state MMIS customers who wish to incorporate certain aspects of managed care programs into their own fee-for-service programs.

The following table briefly summarizes our financial performance for the three month and nine month periods ended September 30, 2010 compared with the same periods in 2009. All ratios, with the exception of the medical care ratio and the premium tax ratio, are shown as a percentage of total revenue. The medical care ratio and the premium tax ratio are shown as a percentage of premium revenue because there are direct relationships between premium revenue earned, and the cost of health care and premium taxes.

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| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|--|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (Amounts in thousands, except per share data) | | | |
| Earnings per diluted share | \$ 0.57 | \$ 0.33 | \$ 1.39 | \$ 1.36 |
| Premium revenue | \$ 1,005,115 | \$ 914,805 | \$ 2,947,020 | \$ 2,697,796 |
| Service revenue | \$ 32,271 | \$ | \$ 53,325 | \$ |
| Operating income | \$ 29,953 | \$ 15,089 | \$ 71,569 | \$ 57,738 |
| Net income | \$ 16,173 | \$ 8,564 | \$ 37,342 | \$ 35,340 |
| Total ending membership | 1,597 | 1,411 | 1,597 | 1,411 |
| Premium revenue | 96.7% | 99.8% | 98.1% | 99.7% |
| Service revenue | 3.1 | | 1.8 | |
| Investment income | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| | | | | |
| Total revenue | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | | | | |
| Medical care ratio | 84.2% | 86.7% | 85.1% | 86.5% |
| General and administrative expense ratio | 8.5% | 7.5% | 8.2% | 7.4% |
| Premium tax ratio | 3.5% | 3.3% | 3.5% | 3.2% |
| Operating income | 2.9% | 1.6% | 2.4% | 2.1% |
| Net income | 1.6% | 0.9% | 1.2% | 1.3% |
| Effective tax rate | 36.2% | 27.5% | 37.3% | 26.1% |

Composition of Revenue and Membership***Health Plans Segment***

Premium revenue is fixed in advance of the periods covered and, except as described in Critical Accounting Policies below, is not generally subject to significant accounting estimates. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we received approximately 94% of our premium revenue as a fixed amount per member per month, or PMPM, pursuant to our Medicaid contracts with state agencies, our Medicare contracts with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, and our contracts with other managed care organizations for which we operate as a subcontractor. These premium revenues are recognized in the month that members are entitled to receive health care services. The state Medicaid programs and the federal Medicare program periodically adjust premium rates.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we received approximately 6% of our premium revenue in the form of birth income—a one-time payment for the delivery of a child—from the Medicaid programs in California (effective October 1, 2009), Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Texas, Utah (effective September 1, 2009), Washington, and Wisconsin. Such payments are recognized as revenue in the month the birth occurs.

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The following table sets forth the approximate total number of members by state health plan as of the dates indicated:

| | Sept. 30, 2010 | Dec. 31, 2009 | Sept. 30, 2009 |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Total Ending Membership by Health Plan: | | | |
| California | 349,000 | 351,000 | 355,000 |
| Florida | 57,000 | 50,000 | 43,000 |
| Michigan | 225,000 | 223,000 | 210,000 |
| Missouri | 79,000 | 78,000 | 78,000 |
| New Mexico | 91,000 | 94,000 | 90,000 |
| Ohio | 241,000 | 216,000 | 208,000 |
| Texas | 96,000 | 40,000 | 31,000 |
| Utah | 78,000 | 69,000 | 69,000 |
| Washington | 353,000 | 334,000 | 327,000 |
| Wisconsin (1) | 28,000 | | |
| Total | 1,597,000 | 1,455,000 | 1,411,000 |
| Total Ending Membership by State for our Medicare Advantage Plans (1): | | | |
| California | 4,300 | 2,100 | 1,900 |
| Florida | 500 | | |
| Michigan | 5,700 | 3,300 | 2,700 |
| New Mexico | 600 | 400 | 400 |
| Texas | 600 | 500 | 500 |
| Utah | 8,600 | 4,000 | 3,500 |
| Washington | 2,300 | 1,300 | 1,100 |
| Total | 22,600 | 11,600 | 10,100 |
| Total Ending Membership by State for our Aged, Blind or Disabled Population: | | | |
| California | 13,500 | 13,900 | 13,700 |
| Florida | 9,500 | 8,800 | 8,700 |
| Michigan | 31,400 | 32,200 | 30,200 |
| New Mexico | 5,700 | 5,700 | 5,700 |
| Ohio | 27,900 | 22,600 | 19,600 |
| Texas | 18,900 | 17,600 | 17,500 |
| Utah | 7,900 | 7,500 | 7,700 |
| Washington | 3,700 | 3,200 | 3,200 |
| Wisconsin (1) | 1,700 | | |
| Total | 120,200 | 111,500 | 106,300 |

(1) We acquired the Wisconsin health plan on

September 1,
2010. As of
September 30,
2010, the
Wisconsin
health plan had
approximately
3,000 Medicare
Advantage
members
covered under a
reinsurance
contract with a
third party;
these members
are not included
in the
membership
tables herein.

Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment

As a result of our recent acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions, a portion of our revenues is derived from service arrangements. This segment provides technology solutions to state Medicaid programs that include system design, development, implementation, and technology outsourcing services. In addition, this segment offer business process outsourcing to state Medicaid agencies that handle key administrative functions such as claims processing, provider enrollment, pharmacy drug rebate services, recipient eligibility management, and pre-authorization services. In general, we expect the operating profit margin percentage generated by the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment to be higher than the operating profit margin percentage generated by the Health Plans segment. See further discussion of our Molina Medicaid Solutions segment revenue recognition and deferred contract costs at Critical Accounting Policies, below.

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Molina Medicaid Solutions has contracts with five states to design, develop, implement, maintain, and operate Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS). Additionally, Molina Medicaid Solutions provides pharmacy rebate administration services under a contract with the state of Florida.

These contracts extend over a number of years, and cover the life of the MMIS from inception though at least the first five years of its operation. The contracts are subject to extension by the exercise of an option, and also by renewal of the base contract. The contracts have a life cycle beginning with the design, development, and implementation of the MMIS and continuing through the operation of the system. Payment during the design, development, and implementation phase of the contract, or the DDI phase, is generally based upon the attainment of specific milestones in systems development as agreed upon ahead of time by the parties. Payment during the operations phase typically takes the form of either a flat monthly fee or payment for specific measures of capacity or activity, such as the number of claims processed, or the number of Medicaid beneficiaries served by the MMIS. Contracts may also call for the adjustment of amounts paid if certain activity measures exceed or fall below certain thresholds.

Under our contracts in Louisiana, New Jersey, West Virginia and Florida we provide primarily business process outsourcing and technology outsourcing services, because the development of the MMIS solution has been completed. Under these contracts, we recognize outsourcing service revenue on a straight-line basis over the remaining term of the contract. We began revenue and cost recognition for our Maine contract in September 2010, and expect to begin revenue and cost recognition for our Idaho contract in November 2010.

Composition of Expenses***Health Plans Segment***

Operating expenses for the Health Plans segment include expenses related to the provision of medical care services, G&A expenses, and premium tax expenses. Our results of operations are impacted by our ability to effectively manage expenses related to medical care services and to accurately estimate costs incurred. Expenses related to medical care services are captured in the following four categories:

Fee-for-service expenses paid for specific encounters or episodes of care according to a fee schedule or other basis established by the state or by contract with the provider.

Capitation expenses for PMPM payments to the provider without regard to the frequency, extent, or nature of the medical services actually furnished.

Pharmacy expenses for all drug, injectible, and immunization costs paid primarily through our pharmacy benefit manager.

Other expenses for medically related administrative costs (\$61.9 million and \$54.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively), certain provider incentive costs, reinsurance, costs to operate our medical clinics, and other medical expenses.

Our medical care costs include amounts that have been paid by us through the reporting date as well as estimated liabilities for medical care costs incurred but not paid by us as of the reporting date. See **Critical Accounting Policies** below for a comprehensive discussion of how we estimate such liabilities.

Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment

Cost of service revenue consists primarily of the costs incurred to provide business process outsourcing and technology outsourcing services under our contracts in Louisiana, New Jersey, West Virginia and Florida, as well as certain selling, general and administrative expenses. We began revenue and cost recognition for our Maine contract in September 2010, and expect to begin revenue and cost recognition for our Idaho contract in November 2010. Additionally, certain indirect costs incurred under our contracts in Idaho and Maine are also expensed to cost of services.

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Deferred contract costs, which primarily relate to our contracts in Idaho and Maine, include direct and incremental costs such as direct labor, hardware, and software. We also defer and subsequently amortize certain transition costs related to activities that transition the contract from the design, development, and implementation phase to the operational or business process outsourcing phase. Deferred contract costs, including transition costs, are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining original contract term, consistent with the revenue recognition period.

Results of Operations**Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 Compared with the Three Months Ended September 30, 2009****Health Plans Segment****Premium Revenue**

Premium revenue grew 10% in the third quarter of 2010 compared with the third quarter of 2009. The revenue increase was primarily due to a membership increase of 13% as of September 30, 2010 compared with membership as of September 30, 2009. Medicare enrollment exceeded 22,000 members at September 30, 2010, and Medicare premium revenue for the quarter was \$70.7 million compared with \$33.7 million in the third quarter of 2009.

On a per-member-per-month, or PMPM, basis, consolidated premium revenue was flat, because the impact of premium reductions tied to the elimination of the pharmacy benefit in Ohio and Missouri were offset by increased Medicare enrollment and higher Medicaid rates exclusive of the pharmacy cuts in Ohio and Missouri. Exclusive of the pharmacy cuts, premium revenue PMPM increased approximately 6.4%. Approximately one half of the percentage increase in PMPM revenue exclusive of the pharmacy cuts in Ohio and Missouri was due an increase in our Medicare enrollment as a percentage of total enrollment; the other half of the increase was due to higher Medicaid premium rates.

Medical Care Costs

The following table provides the details of consolidated medical care costs for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands except PMPM amounts):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 | | | 2009 | | |
|-----------------|--|-----------|---------------|------------|-----------|---------------|
| | Amount | PMPM | % of Total | Amount | PMPM | % of Total |
| Fee for service | \$ 601,836 | \$ 130.60 | 71.1% | \$ 515,164 | \$ 122.86 | 65.0% |
| Capitation | 136,425 | 29.61 | 16.1 | 140,551 | 33.52 | 17.7 |
| Pharmacy | 76,049 | 16.50 | 9.0 | 104,274 | 24.87 | 13.2 |
| Other | 31,627 | 6.87 | 3.8 | 32,782 | 7.82 | 4.1 |
| Total | \$ 845,937 | \$ 183.58 | 100.0% | \$ 792,771 | \$ 189.07 | 100.0% |

The medical care ratio decreased to 84.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 86.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2009.

The medical care ratio of the California health plan decreased to 80.3% in the third quarter of 2010 from 92.3% in the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to provider network restructuring and improved medical management. Lower inpatient costs were the greatest contributor to the decrease in the California health plan's medical care ratio.

The medical care ratio of the Ohio health plan decreased to 81.2% in the third quarter of 2010 from 85.6% in the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to an increase in Medicaid premium PMPM of approximately 6% effective January 1, 2010.

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The medical care ratio of the Utah health plan decreased to 84.9% in the third quarter of 2010 from 92.5% in the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to a decrease in provider rates and an increase in Medicaid premium PMPM of approximately 8% effective July 1, 2010.

The medical care ratio of the Washington health plan decreased to 79.4% in the third quarter of 2010 from 83.0% in the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to reduced fee for service costs in the inpatient, outpatient and physician categories, and an increase in Medicaid premium PMPM of approximately 2.5% effective July 1, 2010.

The medical care ratio of the Michigan health plan increased to 85.7% in the third quarter of 2010 from 81.2% in the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to higher fee-for-service costs for Medicaid members and a shift in member mix towards high medical care ratio Medicare members.

The medical care ratio of the Missouri health plan increased to 86.7% in the third quarter of 2010 from 82.3% in the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to higher inpatient fee-for-service costs and a slight decrease (approximately 1%) in premium revenue PMPM effective July 1, 2010.

Health Plans Segment Operating Data

The following table summarizes member months, premium revenue, medical care costs, medical care ratio and premium taxes by health plan for the three months ended September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 (in thousands except PMPM amounts):

Three Months Ended September 30, 2010

| | Member Months(1) | Premium Revenue | | Medical Care Costs | | Medical Care Ratio | Premium Tax |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------|
| | | Total | PMPM | Total | PMPM | | Expense |
| California | 1,046 | \$ 128,350 | \$ 122.75 | \$ 103,002 | \$ 98.51 | 80.3% | \$ 1,888 |
| Florida | 169 | 43,485 | 256.25 | 42,258 | 249.02 | 97.2 | (14) |
| Michigan | 675 | 156,609 | 232.05 | 134,238 | 198.90 | 85.7 | 9,655 |
| Missouri | 236 | 52,952 | 224.63 | 45,930 | 194.84 | 86.7 | |
| New Mexico | 274 | 93,602 | 341.38 | 78,121 | 284.92 | 83.5 | 2,170 |
| Ohio | 715 | 210,651 | 294.55 | 171,051 | 239.18 | 81.2 | 16,734 |
| Texas | 180 | 48,188 | 267.95 | 43,129 | 239.82 | 89.5 | 861 |
| Utah | 234 | 67,566 | 289.28 | 57,381 | 245.67 | 84.9 | |
| Washington | 1,051 | 195,578 | 186.03 | 155,307 | 147.73 | 79.4 | 3,622 |
| Wisconsin(2) | 28 | 6,310 | 224.18 | 6,154 | 218.65 | 97.5 | |
| Other(3) | | 1,824 | | 9,366 | | | 121 |
| Total | 4,608 | \$ 1,005,115 | \$ 218.12 | \$ 845,937 | \$ 183.58 | 84.2% | \$ 35,037 |

Three Months Ended September 30, 2009

| | Member Months(1) | Premium Revenue | | Medical Care Costs | | Medical Care Ratio | Premium Tax |
|------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------|
| | | Total | PMPM | Total | PMPM | | Expense |
| California | 1,065 | \$ 122,048 | \$ 114.61 | \$ 112,663 | \$ 105.80 | 92.3% | \$ 3,700 |
| Florida | 109 | 27,292 | 250.27 | 25,931 | 237.80 | 95.0 | 10 |
| Michigan | 629 | 136,262 | 216.74 | 110,577 | 175.89 | 81.2 | 8,663 |
| Missouri | 232 | 60,867 | 261.76 | 50,075 | 215.35 | 82.3 | |
| New Mexico | 264 | 105,721 | 400.04 | 86,678 | 327.99 | 82.0 | 2,953 |
| Ohio | 618 | 204,565 | 331.22 | 175,187 | 283.65 | 85.6 | 11,167 |
| Texas | 93 | 26,299 | 282.13 | 26,904 | 288.61 | 102.3 | 574 |

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| Utah | 203 | 46,849 | 231.14 | 43,346 | 213.86 | 92.5 | |
| Washington | 979 | 182,096 | 185.99 | 151,099 | 154.33 | 83.0 | 3,131 |
| Wisconsin(2) | | | | | | | |
| Other(3) | | 2,806 | | 10,311 | | | 59 |
| Total | 4,192 | \$ 914,805 | \$ 218.17 | \$ 792,771 | \$ 189.07 | 86.7% | \$ 30,257 |

(1) A member month is defined as the aggregate of each month's ending membership for the period presented.

(2) We acquired the Wisconsin health plan on September 1, 2010.

(3) Other medical care costs represent primarily medically related administrative costs at the parent company.

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Beginning January 1, 2010, and for all prior periods presented, we are reporting days in medical claims and benefits payable relating to fee-for-service medical claims only. This new computation includes only fee-for-service medical care costs and related liabilities, and therefore calculates the extent of reserves for those liabilities that are most subject to estimation.

The days in medical claims and benefits payable amount previously reported included *all* medical care costs (fee-for-service, capitation, pharmacy, and administrative), and *all* medical claims liabilities, including those liabilities that are typically paid concurrently, or shortly after the costs are incurred, such as capitation costs and pharmacy costs. Medical claims liabilities in this calculation do not include accrued costs such as salaries associated with the administrative portion of medical costs. By including only fee-for-service medical costs and liabilities in this computation, our days in claims payable metric will be more indicative of the adequacy of our reserves for liabilities subject to a substantial degree of estimation. The days in medical claims and benefits payable, excluding our new Wisconsin health plan, were as follows:

| | Sept. 30, 2010 | June 30, 2010 | Dec. 31, 2009 | Sept. 30, 2009 |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Days in claims payable fee-for-service only | 42 days | 44 days | 44 days | 44 days |
| Number of claims in inventory at end of period | 110,200 | 106,700 | 93,100 | 107,700 |
| Billed charges of claims in inventory at end of period (dollars in thousands) | \$ 158,900 | \$ 147,500 | \$ 131,400 | \$ 145,500 |

Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment

Molina Medicaid Solutions contributed \$1.2 million to operating income for the three months ended September 30, 2010, with an operating profit margin of approximately 4%. As we expected, the operating profit for this segment has declined as a result of the revenue and cost recognition that commenced in Maine as of its September 1, 2010 go-live operational date. In addition, and contrary to our expectations, the consulting and outside service costs for both Idaho and Maine following their respective go-live operational dates have not declined from their pre-operational levels. Performance of the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment for the three months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

| | (In thousands) |
|--|-----------------------|
| Service revenue before amortization | \$ 34,926 |
| Amortization of contract backlog recorded as contra-service revenue | (2,655) |
| Service revenue | 32,271 |
| Cost of service revenue | 27,605 |
| General and administrative costs | 2,195 |
| Amortization of customer relationship intangibles recorded as amortization | 1,314 |
| Operating income | \$ 1,157 |

Consolidated Expenses***General and Administrative Expenses***

General and administrative expenses, or G&A, were \$88.7 million, or 8.5% of total revenue, for the third quarter of 2010 compared with \$68.6 million, or 7.5% of total revenue, for the third quarter of 2009. Absent the \$4.7 million of employee severance and settlement costs indicated below, general and administrative expense would have been 8.1% of total revenue for the third quarter of 2010. The increase in the G&A ratio was the result of higher administrative expenses for the Health Plan segment, driven in part by the cost of our Medicare expansion, employee severance costs of \$4.7 million for the quarter, and the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions.

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| | Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 | | 2009 | |
|---|--|--|-----------|-----------------------|
| | Amount | % of Total Revenue (Dollar amounts in thousands) | Amount | % of Total Revenue |
| Medicare-related administrative costs | \$ 6,511 | 0.6% | \$ 4,288 | 0.5% |
| Non Medicare-related administrative costs: | | | | |
| Molina Medicaid Solutions segment administrative costs | 2,195 | 0.2 | | |
| Employee severance and settlement costs | 4,654 | 0.4 | 132 | |
| Health Plans segment administrative payroll, including employee incentive compensation | 57,741 | 5.6 | 53,042 | 5.8 |
| All other Health Plans segment administrative expense | 17,559 | 1.7 | 11,101 | 1.2 |
| | \$ 88,660 | 8.5% | \$ 68,563 | 7.5% |

Premium Tax Expenses

Premium tax expense relating to Health Plans segment premium revenue increased to 3.5% of revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2010, from 3.3% for the three months ended September 30, 2009, primarily due to the imposition of a higher premium tax rate in Ohio effective October 1, 2009.

Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization specifically identified as such in the consolidated statements of income increased \$2.1 million in the three months ended September 30, 2010 compared with the three months ended September 30, 2009, primarily due to depreciation of investments in infrastructure and the amortization of certain purchased intangibles associated with the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions. Beginning in the second quarter of 2010, the amortization of contract backlog intangibles associated with the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions is recorded as contra-service revenue. Additionally, most of the depreciation associated with Molina Medicaid Solutions is recorded as cost of service revenue. The following table presents all depreciation and amortization recorded in the consolidated financial statements:

| | Three Months Ended September 30, 2010 | | 2009 | |
|--|--|--|----------|-----------------------|
| | Amount | % of Total Revenue (Dollar amounts in thousands) | Amount | % of Total Revenue |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 11,954 | 1.1% | \$ 9,832 | 1.1% |
| Amortization recorded as contra-service revenue | 2,655 | 0.3 | | |
| Depreciation recorded as cost of service revenue | 1,964 | 0.2 | | |
| | \$ 16,573 | 1.6% | \$ 9,832 | 1.1% |

Interest Expense

Interest expense increased to \$4.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$3.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2009. We incurred higher interest expense relating to the \$105 million draw on our credit facility (beginning May 1, 2010) to fund the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions. Interest expense includes non-cash interest expense relating to our convertible senior notes, which totaled \$1.3 million, and \$1.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Income Taxes

Income tax expense was recorded at an effective rate of 36.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 27.5% for the three months ended September 30, 2009. The lower rate in 2009 was primarily due to discrete tax benefits of \$1.0 million recorded in the third quarter of 2009 primarily related to higher than previously estimated tax credits and a reassessment of liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits.

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Through December 31, 2009, our income tax expense included both the Michigan business income tax, or BIT, and the Michigan modified gross receipts tax, or MGRT. Effective January 1, 2010, we have recorded the MGRT as a premium tax and not as an income tax. We will continue to record the BIT as an income tax.

Generally, the MGRT is a 0.976% tax (statutory rate of 0.8% plus 21.99% surtax) on modified gross receipts, which for most taxpayers are defined as receipts less purchases from other firms. Managed care organizations, however, are not currently allowed to deduct payments to providers in determining modified gross receipts. As a result, the MGRT is 0.976% of the Michigan plan's receipts, and does not vary with levels of pretax income or margins. We believe that presentation of the MGRT as a premium tax produces financial statements that are more useful to the reader.

For the three months ended September 30, 2009, amounts for premium tax expense (included in general and administrative expenses) and income tax expense have been reclassified to conform to the presentation of MGRT as a premium tax. The MGRT amounted to \$1.5 million and \$1.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, respectively. There was no impact to net income for either period presented relating to this change.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 Compared with the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009**Health Plans Segment****Premium Revenue**

Premium revenue grew 9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with the same period in 2009. The revenue increase was primarily due to a membership increase of 13% as of September 30, 2010, compared with membership as of September 30, 2009. Medicare enrollment exceeded 22,000 members at September 30, 2010, and Medicare premium revenue for the first nine months of 2010 was \$188.6 million compared with \$95.9 million for the same period in 2009.

On a PMPM basis, however, consolidated premium revenue decreased 1.8% because of declines in premium rates. The impact of premium reductions tied to the elimination of the pharmacy benefit in Ohio and Missouri more than offset increased Medicare enrollment and higher Medicaid rates exclusive of the pharmacy cuts in Ohio and Missouri. Exclusive of the pharmacy cuts, premium revenue PMPM increased approximately 4.6%. Approximately one half of the percentage increase in PMPM revenue exclusive of the pharmacy cuts in Ohio and Missouri was due to an increase in our Medicare enrollment as a percentage of total enrollment; the other half of the increase was due to higher Medicaid premium rates.

Medical Care Costs

The following table provides the details of our consolidated medical care costs for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands except PMPM amounts):

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | | | |
|-----------------|--|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| | 2010 | | | 2009 | | |
| | Amount | PMPM | % of Total | Amount | PMPM | % of Total |
| Fee for service | \$ 1,763,675 | \$ 130.55 | 70.3% | \$ 1,521,371 | \$ 125.24 | 65.2% |
| Capitation | 410,321 | 30.37 | 16.4 | 413,351 | 34.03 | 17.7 |
| Pharmacy | 241,290 | 17.86 | 9.6 | 306,168 | 25.20 | 13.1 |
| Other | 93,080 | 6.89 | 3.7 | 92,975 | 7.65 | 4.0 |
| Total | \$ 2,508,366 | \$ 185.67 | 100.0% | \$ 2,333,865 | \$ 192.12 | 100.0% |

The medical care ratio decreased to 85.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with 86.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

The medical care ratio of the California health plan decreased to 84.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from 92.8% for the same period in 2009, primarily due to provider network restructuring and improved medical management. Lower inpatient costs were the greatest contributor to the decrease in the California health plan's medical care ratio.

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The medical care ratio of the Ohio health plan decreased to 80.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from 85.5% for the same period in 2009, primarily due to an increase in Medicaid premium PMPM of approximately 6% effective January 1, 2010.

The medical care ratio of the Washington health plan increased to 84.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from 83.7% for the same period in 2009, primarily due to reduced premium rates implemented in the third quarter of 2009 that were only partially offset by the premium rate increase of approximately 2.5% that was received effective July 1, 2010.

The medical care ratio of the Michigan health plan increased to 84.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from 82.1% for the same period in 2009, primarily due to higher fee-for-service costs for Medicaid members and a shift in member mix towards high medical care ratio Medicare members.

The medical care ratio of the Missouri health plan increased to 86.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from 82.0% for the same period in 2009, primarily due to higher inpatient fee-for-service costs.

Health Plans Segment Operating Data

The following summarizes member months, premium revenue, medical care costs, medical care ratio, and premium taxes by health plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 (in thousands except PMPM amounts):

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010

| | Member Months(1) | Premium Revenue | | Medical Care Costs | | Medical Care Ratio | Premium Tax |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------|
| | | Total | PMPM | Total | PMPM | | Expense |
| California | 3,158 | \$ 376,811 | \$ 119.32 | \$ 316,569 | \$ 100.24 | 84.0% | \$ 5,153 |
| Florida | 483 | 124,035 | 256.70 | 116,079 | 240.23 | 93.6 | (2) |
| Michigan | 2,029 | 468,723 | 230.98 | 395,450 | 194.87 | 84.4 | 29,305 |
| Missouri | 704 | 156,874 | 222.83 | 135,766 | 192.85 | 86.5 | |
| New Mexico | 834 | 281,149 | 336.93 | 225,346 | 270.06 | 80.2 | 7,161 |
| Ohio | 2,083 | 641,683 | 308.11 | 517,951 | 248.70 | 80.7 | 50,251 |
| Texas | 426 | 130,881 | 307.51 | 114,593 | 269.24 | 87.6 | 2,247 |
| Utah | 685 | 191,040 | 278.99 | 179,816 | 262.60 | 94.1 | |
| Washington | 3,080 | 562,836 | 182.75 | 473,609 | 153.78 | 84.2 | 10,278 |
| Wisconsin(2) | 28 | 6,310 | 224.18 | 6,154 | 218.65 | 97.5 | |
| Other(3) | | 6,678 | | 27,033 | | | 185 |
| Total | 13,510 | \$ 2,947,020 | \$ 218.14 | \$ 2,508,366 | \$ 185.67 | 85.1% | \$ 104,578 |

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009

| | Member Months(1) | Premium Revenue | | Medical Care Costs | | Medical Care Ratio | Premium Tax |
|------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------|
| | | Total | PMPM | Total | PMPM | | Expense |
| California | 3,076 | \$ 354,001 | \$ 115.09 | \$ 328,386 | \$ 106.76 | 92.8% | \$ 10,411 |
| Florida | 245 | 66,322 | 270.67 | 61,054 | 249.17 | 92.1 | 10 |
| Michigan | 1,872 | 405,576 | 216.72 | 332,974 | 177.93 | 82.1 | 26,039 |
| Missouri | 695 | 177,715 | 255.62 | 145,631 | 209.47 | 82.0 | |
| New Mexico | 763 | 301,947 | 395.79 | 258,954 | 339.43 | 85.8 | 8,035 |
| Ohio | 1,774 | 586,672 | 330.73 | 501,606 | 282.77 | 85.5 | 32,090 |
| Texas | 283 | 93,655 | 330.78 | 79,161 | 279.59 | 84.5 | 1,830 |

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| Utah | 587 | 155,385 | 264.67 | 140,791 | 239.81 | 90.6 | |
| Washington | 2,850 | 546,520 | 191.76 | 457,625 | 160.57 | 83.7 | 9,142 |
| Wisconsin(2) | | | | | | | |
| Other(3) | | 10,003 | | 27,683 | | | 55 |
| Total | 12,145 | \$ 2,697,796 | \$ 222.08 | \$ 2,333,865 | \$ 192.12 | 86.5% | \$ 87,612 |

(1) A member month is defined as the aggregate of each month's ending membership for the period presented.

(2) We acquired the Wisconsin health plan on September 1, 2010.

(3) Other medical care costs represent primarily medically related administrative costs at the parent company.

Table of Contents**Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment**

Molina Medicaid Solutions contributed \$6.2 million to operating income from the date of its acquisition on May 1, 2010, through September 30, 2010, with an operating profit margin of approximately 12%. As we expected, the operating profit for this segment has declined as a result of the revenue and cost recognition that commenced in Maine as of its September 1, 2010 go-live operational date. In addition, and contrary to our expectations, the consulting and outside service costs for both Idaho and Maine following their respective go-live operational dates have not declined from their pre-operational levels. Performance of the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment for the five months ended September 30, 2010 was as follows:

| | (In thousands) |
|--|-----------------------|
| Service revenue before amortization | \$ 57,571 |
| Amortization of contract backlog recorded as contra-service revenue | (4,246) |
| Service revenue | 53,325 |
| Cost of service revenue | 41,859 |
| General and administrative costs | 3,161 |
| Amortization of customer relationship intangibles recorded as amortization | 2,143 |
| Operating income | \$ 6,162 |

Consolidated Expenses and Other***General and Administrative Expenses***

General and administrative expenses were \$245.6 million, or 8.2% of total revenue, for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$199.0 million, or 7.4% of total revenue, for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The increase in the G&A ratio was the result of higher administrative expenses for the Health Plan segment, driven in part by the cost of Medicare expansion, employee severance and settlement costs of \$5.2 million year to date, and the acquisitions of Molina Medicaid Solutions and the Wisconsin health plan.

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | |
|--|--|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | 2010 | % of Total | 2009 | % of Total |
| | Amount | Revenue | Amount | Revenue |
| | (Dollar amounts in thousands) | | | |
| Medicare-related administrative costs | \$ 21,010 | 0.7% | \$ 12,842 | 0.5% |
| Non Medicare-related administrative costs: | | | | |
| Molina Medicaid Solutions segment | | | | |
| administrative costs | 3,161 | 0.1 | | |
| Employee severance and settlement costs | 5,152 | 0.2 | 538 | |
| Molina Medicaid Solutions and Wisconsin health plan acquisition costs | 2,688 | 0.1 | | |
| Health Plans segment administrative payroll, including employee incentive compensation | 167,150 | 5.6 | 150,952 | 5.6 |
| All other Health Plans segment administrative expense | 46,458 | 1.5 | 34,649 | 1.3 |
| | \$ 245,619 | 8.2% | \$ 198,981 | 7.4% |

Premium Tax Expense

Premium tax expense relating to Health Plans segment premium revenue increased to 3.5% of revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from 3.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, primarily due to the imposition of a higher premium tax rate in Ohio effective October 1, 2009.

Table of Contents***Depreciation and Amortization***

Depreciation and amortization specifically identified as such in the consolidated statements of income increased \$4.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2009, primarily due to depreciation of investments in infrastructure and the amortization of certain purchased intangibles associated with the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions. Beginning in the second quarter of 2010, the amortization of acquired contracts associated with the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions has been recorded as contra-service revenue. Additionally, most of the depreciation associated with the Molina Medicaid Solutions segment is recorded as cost of service revenue. The following table presents all depreciation and amortization recorded in the consolidated financial statements:

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | 2009 | |
|---|---------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | 2010 | % of Total | Amount | % of Total |
| | Amount | Revenue | Amount | Revenue |
| | (Dollar amounts in thousands) | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 33,234 | 1.1% | \$ 28,468 | 1.1% |
| Amortization recorded as contra- service revenue | 4,246 | 0.1 | | |
| Depreciation recorded as cost of service revenue | 3,005 | 0.1 | | |
| Depreciation and amortization reported in the consolidated statements of cash flows | \$ 40,485 | 1.3% | \$ 28,468 | 1.1% |

Gain on Retirement of Convertible Senior Notes

In February 2009, we purchased and retired \$13.0 million face amount of our convertible senior notes. We purchased the notes at an average price of \$74.25 per \$100 principal amount, for a total of \$9.7 million. Including accrued interest, our total payment was \$9.8 million. In connection with the purchase of the Notes, we recorded a gain of \$1.5 million (\$0.04 per diluted share) in the first quarter of 2009.

Interest Expense

Interest expense increased to \$12.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, from \$9.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. We incurred higher interest expense relating to the \$105 million draw on our credit facility (beginning May 1, 2010) to fund the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions. Interest expense includes non-cash interest expense relating to our convertible senior notes, which totaled \$3.8 million, and \$3.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Income Taxes

Income tax expense was recorded at an effective rate of 37.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared with 26.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. The lower rate in 2009 was primarily due to discrete tax benefits of \$5.5 million recorded in the nine months ended September 30, 2009, as a result of settling tax examinations, a reassessment of the tax liability for unrecognized tax benefits, and higher than previously estimated tax credits.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, amounts for premium tax expense and income tax expense have been reclassified to conform to the presentation of MGRT as a premium tax. The MGRT amounted to \$4.6 million and \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, and 2009, respectively. There was no impact to net income for either period presented relating to this change.

Acquisitions

On September 1, 2010, we acquired Abri Health Plan, a Medicaid managed care organization based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We expect the final purchase price for the acquisition to be approximately \$16 million, subject to adjustments. As of September 30, 2010, we had paid \$5 million of the total purchase price. There will be two subsequent measurement dates (November 1, 2010 and February 1, 2011) on which we will compute the payments based on the plan's membership on those dates.

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On May 1, 2010, we acquired a health information management business which we now operate under the name, *Molina Medicaid Solutions*SM as described in Overview, above.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We manage our cash, investments, and capital structure to meet the short- and long-term obligations of our business while maintaining liquidity and financial flexibility. We forecast, analyze, and monitor our cash flows to enable prudent investment management and financing within the confines of our financial strategy.

Our regulated subsidiaries generate significant cash flows from premium revenue and investment income. Such cash flows are our primary source of liquidity. Thus, any future decline in our profitability may have a negative impact on our liquidity. We generally receive premium revenue in advance of the payment of claims for the related health care services. A majority of the assets held by our regulated subsidiaries are in the form of cash, cash equivalents, and investments. After considering expected cash flows from operating activities, we generally invest cash of regulated subsidiaries that exceeds our expected short-term obligations in longer term, investment-grade, marketable debt securities to improve our overall investment return. These investments are made pursuant to board approved investment policies which conform to applicable state laws and regulations. Our investment policies are designed to provide liquidity, preserve capital, and maximize total return on invested assets, all in a manner consistent with state requirements that prescribe the types of instruments in which our subsidiaries may invest. These investment policies require that our investments have final maturities of five years or less (excluding auction rate securities and variable rate securities, for which interest rates are periodically reset) and that the average maturity be two years or less. Professional portfolio managers operating under documented guidelines manage our investments. As of September 30, 2010, a substantial portion of our cash was invested in a portfolio of highly liquid money market securities, and our investments consisted solely of investment-grade debt securities. All of our investments are classified as current assets, except for our investments in auction rate securities, which are classified as non-current assets. Our restricted investments are invested principally in certificates of deposit and U.S. treasury securities.

Investment income decreased to \$4.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared with \$7.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. This decline was primarily due to lower interest rates in 2010. Our annualized portfolio yield for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was 0.8% compared with 1.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

Investments and restricted investments are subject to interest rate risk and will decrease in value if market rates increase. We have the ability to hold our restricted investments until maturity and, as a result, we would not expect the value of these investments to decline significantly due to a sudden change in market interest rates. Declines in interest rates over time will reduce our investment income.

Cash in excess of the capital needs of our regulated health plans is generally paid to our non-regulated parent company in the form of dividends, when and as permitted by applicable regulations, for general corporate use.

Cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$8.5 million compared with \$130.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, a decrease of \$121.8 million. Deferred revenue, which was a source of operating cash totaling \$61 million in 2009, was a use of operating cash totaling \$64 million in 2010. In 2009, the state of Ohio typically paid premiums in advance of the month the premium was earned. Beginning in January 2010, the state of Ohio has delayed its premium payments to mid-month for the month premium is earned. We do not anticipate any advance payments for the Ohio health plan's premiums during 2010. Cash provided by operating activities was further reduced in the third quarter of 2010 as a result of the delayed passage of the California state budget for 2010-2011. Accounts receivable at the California health plan increased \$65 million between the June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2010.

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Cash used in investing activities increased significantly in the first nine months of 2010 compared with the first nine months of 2009, due chiefly to the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions, which totaled \$131.3 million.

Cash provided by financing activities increased due to funds generated by our equity offering in the third quarter of 2010, which totaled \$111.6 million, net of the underwriting discount. Amounts borrowed under our credit facility to fund the acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions in the second quarter of 2010 were repaid in the third quarter using proceeds from the equity offering.

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP ⁽¹⁾ to GAAP Financial Measures**EBITDA ⁽²⁾**

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| | (In thousands) | | | |
| Operating income | \$ 29,953 | \$ 15,089 | \$ 71,569 | \$ 57,738 |
| Add back: | | | | |
| Depreciation and amortization expense | 11,954 | 9,832 | 33,234 | 28,468 |
| Amortization expense recorded as contra-service revenue | 2,655 | | 4,246 | |
| Depreciation expense recorded as cost of service revenue | 1,964 | | 3,005 | |
| EBITDA | \$ 46,526 | \$ 24,921 | \$ 112,054 | \$ 86,206 |

(1) GAAP stands for U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

(2) We calculate EBITDA consistently on a quarterly and annual basis by adding back depreciation and amortization expense to operating income. Operating income included interest income of \$3.7 million and \$6.6 million for the nine

months ended
September 30,
2010, and 2009,
respectively.
EBITDA is not
prepared in
conformity with
GAAP because
it excludes
depreciation and
amortization
expense, as well
as interest
expense, and the
provision for
income taxes.
This non-GAAP
financial
measure should
not be
considered as an
alternative to
the GAAP
measures of net
income,
operating
income,
operating
margin, or cash
provided by
operating
activities, nor
should EBITDA
be considered in
isolation from
these GAAP
measures of
operating
performance.
Management
uses EBITDA
as a
supplemental
metric in
evaluating our
financial
performance, in
evaluating
financing and
business
development

decisions, and in forecasting and analyzing future periods. For these reasons, management believes that EBITDA is a useful supplemental measure to investors in evaluating our performance and the performance of other companies in our industry.

Capital Resources

At September 30, 2010, the parent company Molina Healthcare, Inc. held cash and investments of \$49.6 million, including auction rate securities with a fair value of \$5.9 million, compared with \$45.6 million of cash and investments at December 31, 2009. On a consolidated basis, at September 30, 2010, we had working capital of \$372.8 million compared with \$321.2 million at December 31, 2009. At September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, cash and cash equivalents were \$426.5 million and \$469.5 million, respectively. At September 30, 2010, unrestricted investments were \$215.7 million, including \$20.3 million in non-current auction rate securities. At December 31, 2009, unrestricted investments were \$234.5 million, including \$59.7 million in non-current auction rate securities. We believe that our cash resources and internally generated funds will be sufficient to support our operations, regulatory requirements, and capital expenditures for at least the next 12 months.

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We are a party to an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 9, 2005, as amended by the first amendment on October 5, 2005, the second amendment on November 6, 2006, the third amendment on May 25, 2008, the fourth amendment on November 2009 and the fifth amendment on March 15, 2010, among Molina Healthcare Inc., certain lenders, and Bank of America N.A., as Administrative Agent (the "Credit Facility") for a revolving credit line of \$150 million that matures in May 2012. The Credit Facility is intended to be used for general corporate purposes. We borrowed \$105 million under the Credit Facility to acquire Molina Medicaid Solutions in the second quarter of 2010. During the third quarter of 2010, we repaid this amount using proceeds from our equity offering, described below, under Shelf Registration Statement. As of September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009, there was no outstanding principal balance under the Credit Facility.

To the extent that in the future we incur any obligations under the Credit Facility, such obligations will be secured by a lien on substantially all of our assets and by a pledge of the capital stock of our health plan subsidiaries (with the exception of the California health plan). The Credit Facility includes usual and customary covenants for credit facilities of this type, including covenants limiting liens, mergers, asset sales, other fundamental changes, debt, acquisitions, dividends and other distributions, capital expenditures, investments, and a fixed charge coverage ratio. The Credit Facility also requires us to maintain a ratio of total consolidated debt to total consolidated EBITDA of not more than 2.75 to 1.00 at any time. At September 30, 2010, we were in compliance with all financial covenants in the Credit Facility.

The commitment fee on the total unused commitments of the lenders under the Credit Facility is 50 basis points on all levels of the pricing grid, with the pricing grid referring to our ratio of consolidated funded debt to consolidated EBITDA. The pricing for LIBOR loans and base rate loans is 200 basis points at every level of the pricing grid. Thus, the applicable margins under the Credit Facility range between 2.75% and 3.75% for LIBOR loans, and between 1.75% and 2.75% for base rate loans. The Credit Facility carves out from our indebtedness and restricted payment covenants under the Credit Facility the \$187.0 million current principal amount of the convertible senior notes, although the \$187.0 million indebtedness is included in the calculation of our consolidated leverage ratio. The fixed charge coverage ratio set forth pursuant to the Credit Facility was 2.75x (on a pro forma basis) at December 31, 2009, and 3.00x thereafter.

The fifth amendment increased the maximum consolidated leverage ratio under the Credit Facility to 3.25 to 1.0 for the fourth quarter of 2009 (on a pro forma basis), and to 3.50 to 1.0 for the first and second quarters of 2010, and through August 14, 2010. Effective as of August 15, 2010, the consolidated leverage ratio under the Credit Facility reverted back to 2.75 to 1.0. In connection with the lenders' approval of the fifth amendment, we paid an amendment fee of 25 basis points on the amount of each consenting lender's commitment. We also paid an incremental commitment fee of 12.5 basis points based on each lender's unfunded commitment during the period from the effective date of the fifth amendment through August 15, 2010.

Shelf Registration Statement

In December 2008, we filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the issuance of up to \$300 million of our securities, including common stock, warrants, or debt securities, and up to 250,000 shares of outstanding common stock that may be sold from time to time by the Molina Siblings Trust as a selling stockholder. We may publicly offer securities from time to time at prices and terms to be determined at the time of the offering. As a result of the offering described below, we may now offer up to \$182.5 million of our securities from time to time under the shelf registration statement.

On August 13, 2010, we sold 4,000,000 shares of common stock covered by this registration statement, and on August 23, 2010, we sold 350,000 shares of common stock covered by this registration statement. The public offering price for this sale was \$25.65 per share, net of the underwriting discount. Our proceeds from these sales totaled approximately \$111.6 million, net of the underwriting discount. We used the proceeds from these sales to repay the Credit Facility and for general corporate purposes. Also on August 13, 2010, the Molina Siblings Trust, as a selling stockholder, sold 250,000 shares of outstanding common stock covered by this registration statement.

Long-Term Debt***Convertible Senior Notes***

In October 2007, we sold \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of 3.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2014 (the Notes). The sale of the Notes resulted in net proceeds totaling \$193.4 million. During 2009, we purchased and retired \$13.0 million face amount of the Notes, for a remaining aggregate principal amount of \$187.0 million as of September 30, 2010, and December 31, 2009. The Notes rank equally in right of payment with our existing and future senior indebtedness.

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The Notes are convertible into cash and, under certain circumstances, shares of our common stock. The initial conversion rate is 21.3067 shares of our common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes. This represents an initial conversion price of approximately \$46.93 per share of our common stock. In addition, if certain corporate transactions that constitute a change of control occur prior to maturity, we will increase the conversion rate in certain circumstances. Prior to July 2014, holders may convert their Notes only under the following circumstances:

During any fiscal quarter after our fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2007, if the closing sale price per share of our common stock, for each of at least 20 trading days during the period of 30 consecutive trading days ending on the last trading day of the previous fiscal quarter, is greater than or equal to 120% of the conversion price per share of our common stock;

During the five business day period immediately following any five consecutive trading day period in which the trading price per \$1,000 principal amount of the Notes for each trading day of such period was less than 98% of the product of the closing price per share of our common stock on such day and the conversion rate in effect on such day; or

Upon the occurrence of specified corporate transactions or other specified events.

On or after July 1, 2014, holders may convert their Notes at any time prior to the close of business on the scheduled trading day immediately preceding the stated maturity date regardless of whether any of the foregoing conditions is satisfied.

We will deliver cash and shares of our common stock, if any, upon conversion of each \$1,000 principal amount of Notes, as follows:

An amount in cash (the principal return) equal to the sum of, for each of the 20 Volume-Weighted Average Price, or VWAP, trading days during the conversion period, the lesser of the daily conversion value for such VWAP trading day and \$50 (representing 1/20th of \$1,000); and

A number of shares based upon, for each of the 20 VWAP trading days during the conversion period, any excess of the daily conversion value above \$50.

Regulatory Capital and Dividend Restrictions

The principal operations of our Health Plans segment are conducted through our health plan subsidiaries operating in California, Florida, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. The health plans are subject to state laws that, among other things, require the maintenance of minimum levels of statutory capital, as defined by each state, and may restrict the timing, payment, and amount of dividends and other distributions that may be paid to Molina Healthcare, Inc. as the sole stockholder of each of our health plans. To the extent the subsidiaries must comply with these regulations, they may not have the financial flexibility to transfer funds to us. The net assets in these subsidiaries, after intercompany eliminations, which may not be transferable to us in the form of loans, advances, or cash dividends totaled \$380.0 million at September 30, 2010, and \$368.7 million at December 31, 2009.

The National Association of Insurance Commissioners, or NAIC, adopted rules effective December 31, 1998, which, if adopted by a particular state, set minimum capitalization requirements for health plans and other insurance entities bearing risk for health care coverage. The requirements take the form of risk-based capital, or RBC, rules. These rules, which vary slightly from state to state, have been adopted in Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. California and Florida have not adopted RBC rules and have not given notice of any intention to do so. The RBC rules, if adopted by California and Florida, may increase the minimum capital required by those states.

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At September 30, 2010, our health plans had aggregate statutory capital and surplus of approximately \$401.3 million, compared with the required minimum aggregate statutory capital and surplus of approximately \$258.7 million. All of our health plans were in compliance with the minimum capital requirements at September 30, 2010. We have the ability and commitment to provide additional working capital to each of our health plans when necessary to ensure that capital and surplus continue to meet regulatory requirements. Barring any change in regulatory requirements, we believe that we will continue to be in compliance with these requirements through 2010.

Contractual Obligations

In our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, we reported on our contractual obligations as of that date. There have been no material changes to our contractual obligations since that report.

Critical Accounting Policies

When we prepare our consolidated financial statements, we use estimates and assumptions that may affect reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Principal areas requiring the use of estimates include those areas listed below. The most significant of these estimates is revenue recognition, the determination of deferred contract costs, and the determination of medical claims and benefits payable, which are discussed in further detail below:

- The recognition of revenue;
- The determination of deferred contract costs;
- The determination of medical claims and benefits payable;
- The determination of the amount of revenue to be recognized under certain contracts that place revenue at risk dependent upon either the achievement of certain quality or administrative measurements, or the expenditure of certain percentages of revenue on defined expenses;
- The determination of allowances for uncollectible accounts;
- The valuation of certain investments;
- Settlements under risk or savings sharing programs;
- The impairment of long-lived and intangible assets;
- The determination of professional and general liability claims, and reserves for potential absorption of claims unpaid by insolvent providers;
- The determination of reserves for the outcome of litigation;
- The determination of valuation allowances for deferred tax assets; and
- The determination of unrecognized tax benefits.

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Certain components of premium revenue are subject to accounting estimates. Chief among these are:

Florida Health Plan Medical Cost Floor (Minimum) for Behavioral Health: A portion of premium revenue paid to our Florida health plan by the state of Florida may be refunded to the state if certain minimum amounts are not spent on defined behavioral health care costs. At September 30, 2010, we had not recorded any liability under the terms of this contract provision. If the state of Florida disagrees with our interpretation of the existing contract terms, an adjustment to the amounts owed may be required. Any changes to the terms of this provision, including revisions to the definitions of premium revenue or behavioral health care costs, the period of time over which performance is measured or the manner of its measurement, or the percentages used in the calculations, may affect the profitability of our Florida health plan.

New Mexico Health Plan Medical Cost Floors (Minimums) and Administrative Cost and Profit Ceilings (Maximums): A portion of premium revenue paid to our New Mexico health plan by the state of New Mexico may be refunded to the state if certain minimum amounts are not spent on defined medical care costs, or if administrative costs or profit (as defined) exceed certain amounts. Our contract with the state of New Mexico requires that we spend a minimum percentage of premium revenue on certain explicitly defined medical care costs (the medical cost floor). Our contract is for a three-year period, and the medical cost floor is based on premiums and medical care costs over the entire contract period. Effective July 1, 2008, our New Mexico health plan entered into a new three year contract that, in addition to retaining the medical cost floor, added certain limits on the amount our New Mexico health plan can: (a) expend on administrative costs; and (b) retain as profit. At September 30, 2010, there was no liability recorded under the terms of these contract provisions. If the state of New Mexico disagrees with our interpretation of the existing contract terms, an adjustment to the amounts owed may be required. Any changes to the terms of these provisions, including revisions to the definitions of premium revenue, medical care costs, administrative costs or profit, the period of time over which performance is measured or the manner of its measurement, or the percentages used in the calculations, may affect the profitability of our New Mexico health plan.

New Mexico Health Plan At-Risk Premium Revenue: Under our contract with the state of New Mexico, up to 1% of our New Mexico health plan's revenue may be refundable to the state if certain performance measures are not met. These performance measures are generally linked to various quality of care and administrative measures dictated by the state. The state of New Mexico's fiscal year ends June 30, and open contract years typically include up to the two preceding years. For the open state fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, our New Mexico health plan has received \$4.6 million in at-risk revenue to date. To date, we have recognized \$2.2 million of that amount as revenue, and recorded a liability of approximately \$2.4 million as of September 30, 2010, for the remainder. If the state of New Mexico disagrees with our estimation of our compliance with the at-risk premium requirements, an adjustment to the amounts owed may be required.

Ohio Health Plan At-Risk Premium Revenue: Under our contract with the state of Ohio, up to 1% of our Ohio health plan's revenue may be refundable to the state if certain performance measures are not met. Effective January 1, 2010 an additional 0.25% of the Ohio health plan's revenue became refundable if certain pharmacy specific performance measures were not met. These performance measures are generally linked to various quality-of-care measures dictated by the state. The state of Ohio's fiscal year ends June 30, and open contract years typically include up to the two preceding years. For the open state fiscal years ending June 30, 2011, our Ohio health plan has received \$11.2 million in at-risk revenue to date. To date, we have recognized \$3.7 million of that amount as revenue and recorded a liability of approximately \$7.5 million as of September 30, 2010, for the remainder. If the state of Ohio disagrees with our estimation of our compliance with the at-risk premium requirements, an adjustment to the amounts owed may be required. During the third quarter of 2010, we reversed the recognition of approximately \$3.3 million of at-risk revenue previously recognized.

Utah Health Plan Premium Revenue: Our Utah health plan may be entitled to receive additional premium revenue from the state of Utah as an incentive payment for saving the state of Utah money in relation to fee-for-service Medicaid. In prior years, we estimated amounts we believed were recoverable under our savings sharing agreement with the state of Utah based on available information and our interpretation of our

contract with the state. The state may not agree with our interpretation or our application of the contract language, and it may also not agree with the manner in which we have processed and analyzed our member claims and encounter records. Thus, the ultimate amount of savings sharing revenue that we realize from prior years may be subject to negotiation with the state. During 2007, as a result of an ongoing disagreement with the state of Utah, we wrote off the entire receivable, totaling \$4.7 million. Our Utah health plan continues to assert its claim to the amounts believed to be due under the savings share agreement. When additional information is known, or resolution is reached with the state regarding the appropriate savings sharing payment amount for prior years, we will adjust the amount of savings sharing revenue recorded in our financial statements as appropriate in light of such new information or agreement. No receivables for saving sharing revenue have been established at September 30, 2010 or December 31, 2009.

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Texas Health Plan Profit Sharing: Under our contract with the state of Texas there is a profit-sharing agreement, where we pay a rebate to the state of Texas if our Texas health plan generates pretax income, as defined in the contract, above a certain specified percentage, as determined in accordance with a tiered rebate schedule. We are limited in the amount of administrative costs that we may deduct in calculating the rebate, if any. As of September 30, 2010, we had an aggregate liability of approximately \$0.6 million accrued pursuant to our profit-sharing agreement with the state of Texas for the 2009 and 2010 contract years (ending August 31 of each year). We paid \$1.4 million to the state under the terms of this profit sharing agreement during the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Because the final settlement calculations include a claims run-out period of nearly one year, the amounts recorded, based on our estimates, may be adjusted. We believe that the ultimate settlement will not differ materially from our estimates.

Texas Health Plan At-Risk Premium Revenue: Under our contract with the state of Texas, up to 1% of our Texas health plan's revenue may be refundable to the state if certain performance measures are not met. These performance measures are generally linked to various quality-of-care measures dictated by the state. The state of Texas's fiscal year ends August 31, and open contract years typically include up to the two preceding years. For the open state fiscal years ending August 31, 2011, our Texas health plan received \$1.2 million in at-risk revenue, all of which has been recognized as revenue. If the state of Texas disagrees with our estimation of our compliance with the at-risk premium requirements, an adjustment to the amounts owed may be required.

Medicare Premium Revenue: Based on member encounter data that we submit to CMS, our Medicare revenue is subject to retroactive adjustment for both member risk scores and member pharmacy cost experience for up to two years after the original year of service. This adjustment takes into account the acuity of each member's medical needs relative to what was anticipated when premiums were originally set for that member. In the event that a member requires less acute medical care than was anticipated by the original premium amount, CMS may recover premium from us. In the event that a member requires more acute medical care than was anticipated by the original premium amount, CMS may pay us additional retroactive premium. A similar retroactive reconciliation is undertaken by CMS for our Medicare members' pharmacy utilization. That analysis is similar to the process for the adjustment of member risk scores, but is further complicated by member pharmacy cost sharing provisions attached to the Medicare pharmacy benefit that do not apply to the services measured by the member risk adjustment process. We estimate the amount of Medicare revenue that will ultimately be realized for the periods presented based on our knowledge of our members' health care utilization patterns and CMS practices. To the extent that the premium revenue ultimately received from CMS differs from recorded amounts, we will adjust reported Medicare revenue. Based on our knowledge of member health care utilization patterns we have recorded a liability of approximately \$1.3 million related to the potential recoupment of Medicare premium revenue at September 30, 2010.

Revenue Recognition and Determination of Deferred Contract Costs – Molina Medicaid Solutions Segment

As a result of our recent acquisition of Molina Medicaid Solutions, a portion of our revenues is derived from service arrangements. For fixed-price contracts where the system design and development phase were in process as of the acquisition date, we apply contract accounting because we will deliver significantly modified and customized MMIS software to the customer under the terms of the contract. Additionally, these contracts contain multiple deliverables; once the system design and development phase is complete, we provide technology outsourcing services and business process outsourcing. We do not have vendor specific objective evidence of the fair value of the technology outsourcing and business process outsourcing components of the contracts because we do not have history of offering these services on a stand-alone basis. As such we account for these fixed-price service contracts as a single element. Therefore, in general, we recognize contract revenues as a single element ratably over the performance period, or contract term, of the outsourcing services (operations phase) because these services are the last element to be delivered under the contract. The contract terms typically range from five to 10 years. In those service arrangements where final acceptance of a system or solution by the customer is required, contract revenues and costs are deferred until all

material acceptance criteria have been met. Performance will often extend over long periods, and our right to receive future payment depends on our future performance in accordance with the agreement. Revenues earned in excess of related billings are accrued, whereas billings in excess of revenues earned are deferred until the related services are provided. Amortization of certain identifiable intangible assets, relating to contract backlog, is recorded to contra-service revenue, to match revenues associated with contract performance that occurred prior to the acquisition date.

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Deferred contract costs include direct and incremental costs such as direct labor, hardware and software. We also defer and subsequently amortize certain transition costs related to activities that transition the contract from the design, development, and implementation phase to the operational, or business process outsourcing, phase. Deferred contract costs, including transition costs, are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining original contract term, consistent with the revenue recognition period. Indirect costs associated with MMIS service contracts are generally expensed as incurred.

The recoverability of deferred contract costs associated with a particular contract is analyzed on a periodic basis using the undiscounted estimated cash flows of the whole contract over its remaining contract term. If such undiscounted cash flows are insufficient to recover the long-lived assets and deferred contract costs, the deferred contract costs are written down by the amount of the cash flow deficiency. If a cash flow deficiency remains after reducing the balance of the deferred contract costs to zero, any remaining long-lived assets are evaluated for impairment. Any such impairment recognized would equal the amount by which the carrying value of the long-lived assets exceeds the fair value of those assets.

Medical Claims and Benefits Payable

The following table provides the details of our medical claims and benefits payable as of the dates indicated:

| | Sept. 30, 2010 | Dec. 31, 2009 | Sept. 30, 2009 |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| | | (In thousands) | |
| Fee-for-service claims incurred but not paid (IBNP) | \$ 271,285 | \$ 246,508 | \$ 237,495 |
| Capitation payable | 53,410 | 39,995 | 39,361 |
| Pharmacy | 14,663 | 20,609 | 21,100 |
| Other | 15,782 | 9,404 | 5,158 |
| | \$ 355,140 | \$ 316,516 | \$ 303,114 |

The determination of our liability for claims and medical benefits payable is particularly important to the determination of our financial position and results of operations in any given period. Such determination of our liability requires the application of a significant degree of judgment by our management.

As a result, the determination of our liability for claims and medical benefits payable is subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty. Our medical care costs include amounts that have been paid by us through the reporting date, as well as estimated liabilities for medical care costs incurred but not paid by us as of the reporting date. Such medical care cost liabilities include, among other items, unpaid fee-for-service claims, capitation payments owed providers, unpaid pharmacy invoices, and various medically related administrative costs that have been incurred but not paid. We use judgment to determine the appropriate assumptions for determining the required estimates.

The most important element in estimating our medical care costs is our estimate for fee-for-service claims which have been incurred but not paid by us. These fee-for-service costs that have been incurred but have not been paid at the reporting date are collectively referred to as medical costs that are Incurred But Not Paid, or IBNP. Our IBNP, as reported on our balance sheet, represents our best estimate of the total amount of claims we will ultimately pay with respect to claims that we have incurred as of the balance sheet date. We estimate our IBNP monthly using actuarial methods based on a number of factors. As indicated in the table above, our estimated IBNP liability represented \$271.3 million of our total medical claims and benefits payable of \$355.1 million as of September 30, 2010. Excluding amounts that we anticipate paying on behalf of a capitated provider in Ohio (which we will subsequently withhold from that provider's monthly capitation payment), our IBNP liability at September 30, 2010 was \$263.8 million.

The factors we consider when estimating our IBNP include, without limitation, claims receipt and payment experience (and variations in that experience), changes in membership, provider billing practices, health care service utilization trends, cost trends, product mix, seasonality, prior authorization of medical services, benefit changes, known outbreaks of disease or increased incidence of illness such as influenza, provider contract changes, changes to

Medicaid fee schedules, and the incidence of high dollar or catastrophic claims. Our assessment of these factors is then translated into an estimate of our IBNP liability at the relevant measuring point through the calculation of a base estimate of IBNP, a further reserve for adverse claims development, and an estimate of the administrative costs of settling all claims incurred through the reporting date. The base estimate of IBNP is derived through application of claims payment completion factors and trended per member per month (PMPM) cost estimates.

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For the fifth month of service prior to the reporting date and earlier, we estimate our outstanding claims liability based on actual claims paid, adjusted for estimated completion factors. Completion factors seek to measure the cumulative percentage of claims expense that will have been paid for a given month of service as of the reporting date, based on historical payment patterns.

The following table reflects the change in our estimate of claims liability as of September 30, 2010 that would have resulted had we changed our completion factors for the fifth through the twelfth months preceding September 30, 2010, by the percentages indicated. A reduction in the completion factor results in an increase in medical claims liabilities. Dollar amounts are in thousands.

| (Decrease) Increase in Estimated Completion Factors | Increase (Decrease) in Medical Claims and Benefits Payable |
|--|---|
| (6)% | \$ 80,718 |
| (4)% | 53,812 |
| (2)% | 26,906 |
| 2% | (26,906) |
| 4% | (53,812) |
| 6% | (80,718) |

For the four months of service immediately prior to the reporting date, actual claims paid are not a reliable measure of our ultimate liability, given the inherent delay between the patient/physician encounter and the actual submission of a claim for payment. For these months of service, we estimate our claims liability based on trended PMPM cost estimates. These estimates are designed to reflect recent trends in payments and expense, utilization patterns, authorized services, and other relevant factors. The following table reflects the change in our estimate of claims liability as of September 30, 2010 that would have resulted had we altered our trend factors by the percentages indicated. An increase in the PMPM costs results in an increase in medical claims liabilities. Dollar amounts are in thousands.

| (Decrease) Increase in Trended Per member Per Month Cost Estimates | (Decrease) Increase in Medical Claims and Benefits Payable |
|---|---|
| (6)% | \$ (65,330) |
| (4)% | (43,553) |
| (2)% | (21,777) |
| 2% | 21,777 |
| 4% | 43,553 |
| 6% | 65,330 |

The following per-share amounts are based on a combined federal and state statutory tax rate of 38%, and 26.8 million diluted shares outstanding for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Assuming a hypothetical 1% change in completion factors from those used in our calculation of IBNP at September 30, 2010, net income for the three months ended September 30, 2010 would increase or decrease by approximately \$8.3 million, or \$0.31 per diluted share. Assuming a hypothetical 1% change in PMPM cost estimates from those used in our calculation of IBNP at September 30, 2010, net income for the three months ended September 30, 2010 would increase or decrease by approximately \$6.8 million, or \$0.25 per diluted share, net of tax. The corresponding figures for a 5% change in completion factors and PMPM cost estimates would be \$41.7 million, or \$1.56 per diluted share, and \$33.8 million, or \$1.26 per diluted share, respectively.

It is important to note that any change in the estimate of either completion factors or trended PMPM costs would usually be accompanied by a change in the estimate of the other component, and that a change in one component would almost always compound rather than offset the resulting distortion to net income. When completion factors are *overestimated*, trended PMPM costs tend to be *underestimated*. Both circumstances will create an overstatement of net income. Likewise, when completion factors are *underestimated*, trended PMPM costs tend to be *overestimated*, creating an understatement of net income. In other words, errors in estimates involving both completion factors and trended PMPM costs will usually act to drive estimates of claims liabilities and medical care costs in the same direction. If completion factors were overestimated by 1%, resulting in an overstatement of net income by approximately \$8.3 million, it is likely that trended PMPM costs would be underestimated, resulting in an additional overstatement of net income.

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After we have established our base IBNP reserve through the application of completion factors and trended PMPM cost estimates, we then compute an additional liability, once again using actuarial techniques, to account for adverse developments in our claims payments which the base actuarial model is not intended to and does not account for. We refer to this additional liability as the provision for adverse claims development. The provision for adverse claims development is a component of our overall determination of the adequacy of our IBNP. It is intended to capture the potential inadequacy of our IBNP estimate as a result of our inability to adequately assess the impact of factors such as changes in the speed of claims receipt and payment, the relative magnitude or severity of claims, known outbreaks of disease such as influenza, our entry into new geographical markets, our provision of services to new populations such as the aged, blind or disabled (ABD), changes to state-controlled fee schedules upon which much of our provider payments are based, modifications and upgrades to our claims processing systems and practices, and increasing medical costs. Because of the complexity of our business, the number of states in which we operate, and the need to account for different health care benefit packages among those states, we make an overall assessment of IBNP after considering the base actuarial model reserves and the provision for adverse claims development. We also include in our IBNP liability an estimate of the administrative costs of settling all claims incurred through the reporting date. The development of IBNP is a continuous process that we monitor and refine on a monthly basis as additional claims payment information becomes available. As additional information becomes known to us, we adjust our actuarial model accordingly to establish IBNP.

On a monthly basis, we review and update our estimated IBNP and the methods used to determine that liability. Any adjustments, if appropriate, are reflected in the period known. While we believe our current estimates are adequate, we have in the past been required to increase significantly our claims reserves for periods previously reported, and may be required to do so again in the future. Any significant increases to prior period claims reserves would materially decrease reported earnings for the period in which the adjustment is made.

In our judgment, the estimates for completion factors will likely prove to be more accurate than trended PMPM cost estimates because estimated completion factors are subject to fewer variables in their determination. Specifically, completion factors are developed over long periods of time, and are most likely to be affected by changes in claims receipt and payment experience and by provider billing practices. Trended PMPM cost estimates, while affected by the same factors, will also be influenced by health care service utilization trends, cost trends, product mix, seasonality, prior authorization of medical services, benefit changes, outbreaks of disease or increased incidence of illness, provider contract changes, changes to Medicaid fee schedules, and the incidence of high dollar or catastrophic claims. As discussed above, however, errors in estimates involving trended PMPM costs will almost always be accompanied by errors in estimates involving completion factors, and vice versa. In such circumstances, errors in estimation involving both completion factors and trended PMPM costs will act to drive estimates of claims liabilities (and therefore medical care costs) in the same direction.

Assuming that base reserves have been adequately set, we believe that amounts ultimately paid out should generally be between 8% and 10% less than the liability recorded at the end of the period as a result of the inclusion in that liability of the allowance for adverse claims development and the accrued cost of settling those claims. However, there can be no assurance that amounts ultimately paid out will not be higher or lower than this 8% to 10% range, as shown by our results for the year ended December 31, 2009, when the amounts ultimately paid out were less than the amount of the reserves we had established as of the beginning of that year by 17.6%.

As shown in greater detail in the table below, the amounts ultimately paid out on our liabilities in fiscal years 2009 and through September 30, 2010 were less than what we had expected when we had established our reserves. While the specific reasons for the overestimation of our liabilities were different in each of the periods presented, in general the overestimations were tied to our assessment of specific circumstances at our individual health plans which were unique to those reporting periods.

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2010, we recognized a benefit from prior period claims development in the amount of \$46.2 million. This amount represents our estimate as of September 30, 2010 of the extent to which our initial estimate of medical claims and benefits payable at December 31, 2009 exceeded the amount that will ultimately be paid out in satisfaction of that liability.

At March 31, 2010 and June 30, 2010 we had estimated the benefit from prior period claims development at \$38.5 million and \$43.0 million, respectively. Our estimate of the benefit from prior period claims development has increased during 2010 as we have paid claims and gained more insight into the amount that will ultimately be paid in settlement of our estimated liability at December 31, 2009. The overestimation of claims liability at December 31, 2009 was the result of the following factors:

In New Mexico, we underestimated the degree to which cuts to the Medicaid fees schedule would reduce our liability as of December 31, 2009.

In California, we underestimated the extent to which various network restructuring, provider contracting and medical management imitative had reduced our medical care costs during the second half of 2009, thereby resulting in a lower liability at December 31, 2009.

We recognized a benefit from prior period claims development in the amount of \$48.0 million and \$51.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, and the year ended December 31, 2009, respectively (see table below). This was primarily caused by the overestimation of our liability for claims and medical benefits payable at December 31, 2008. The overestimation of claims liability at December 31, 2008 was the result of the following factors:

In New Mexico, we overestimated at December 31, 2008 the ultimate amounts we would need to pay to resolve certain high dollar provider claims.

In Ohio, we underestimated the degree to which certain operational initiatives had reduced our medical costs in the last few months of 2008.

In Washington, we overestimated the impact that certain adverse utilization trends would have on our liability at December 31, 2008.

In California, we underestimated utilization trends at the end of 2008, leading to an underestimation of our liability at December 31, 2008. Additionally, we underestimated the impact that certain delays in the receipt of paper claims would have on our liability, leading to a further underestimation of our liability at December 31, 2008.

In estimating our claims liability at September 30, 2010, we adjusted our base calculation to take account of the following factors which we believe are reasonably likely to change our final claims liability amount:

The rapid growth of membership in our Medicare line of business between December 31, 2009 and September 30, 2010.

An increase in claims inventory at our Ohio health plan between June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2010.

The transition of claims processing for our Missouri health plan from a third party service provider to our internal claims processing platform effective April 1, 2010.

Changes to the Medicaid fee schedule in Utah effective July 1, 2010.

The use of a consistent methodology in estimating our liability for claims and medical benefits payable minimizes the degree to which the under- or overestimation of that liability at the close of one period may affect consolidated results of operations in subsequent periods. Facts and circumstances unique to the estimation process at any single date, however, may still lead to a material impact on consolidated results of operations in subsequent periods. Any absence of adverse claims development (as well as the expensing through general and administrative expense of the costs to settle claims held at the start of the period) will lead to the recognition of a benefit from prior period claims development in the period subsequent to the date of the original estimate. However, that benefit will affect current period earnings only to the extent that the replenishment of the reserve for adverse claims development (and the re-accrual of administrative costs for the settlement of those claims) is less than the benefit recognized from the prior period liability. In 2009 and through September 30, 2010, the absence of adverse development of the liability for claims and medical benefits payable at the close of the previous period resulted in the recognition of substantial favorable prior period development. In both years, however, the recognition of a benefit from prior period claims

development did not have a material impact on our consolidated results of operations because the amount of benefit recognized in each year was roughly consistent with that recognized in the previous year.

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We seek to maintain a consistent claims reserving methodology across all periods. Accordingly, any prior period benefit from an un-utilized reserve for adverse claims development may be offset by the establishment of a new reserve in an approximately equal amount (relative to premium revenue, medical care costs, and medical claims and benefits payable) in the current period, and thus the impact on earnings for the current period may be minimal.

The following table presents the components of the change in our medical claims and benefits payable for the periods presented. The negative amounts displayed for *Components of medical care costs related to: Prior periods* represent the amount by which our original estimate of claims and benefits payable at the beginning of the period exceeded the actual amount of the liability based on information (principally the payment of claims) developed since that liability was first reported. Claims information presented below does not include our new Wisconsin health plan.

| | As of and for the | | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | Nine Months Ended | | Six Months Ended | Three Months Ended | Year Ended |
| | September 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 | June 30, 2010 | March 31, 2010 | Dec. 31, 2009 |
| Balances at beginning of period | \$ 316,516 | \$ 292,442 | \$ 316,516 | \$ 316,516 | \$ 292,442 |
| <i>Components of medical care costs related to:</i> | | | | | |
| Current period | 2,554,579 | 2,381,903 | 1,705,411 | 861,271 | 3,227,794 |
| Prior periods | (46,213) | (48,038) | (42,982) | (38,455) | (51,558) |
| Total medical care costs | 2,508,366 | 2,333,865 | 1,662,429 | 822,816 | 3,176,236 |
| <i>Payments for medical care costs related to:</i> | | | | | |
| Current period | 2,219,296 | 2,089,417 | 1,389,307 | 581,389 | 2,919,240 |
| Prior periods | 250,446 | 233,776 | 244,038 | 230,970 | 232,922 |
| Total paid | 2,469,742 | 2,323,193 | 1,633,345 | 812,359 | 3,152,162 |
| Balances at end of period | \$ 355,140 | \$ 303,114 | \$ 345,600 | \$ 326,973 | \$ 316,516 |
| Benefit from prior period as a percentage of: | | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | 14.6% | 16.4% | 13.6% | 12.1% | 17.6% |
| Premium revenue | 1.5% | 1.8% | 2.2% | 4.0% | 1.4% |
| Total medical care costs | 1.8% | 2.1% | 2.6% | 4.7% | 1.6% |
| Days in claims payable, fee for service only | 42 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 44 |
| Number of members at end of period | 1,597,000 | 1,411,000 | 1,498,000 | 1,482,000 | 1,455,000 |
| Number of claims in inventory at end of period | 110,200 | 107,700 | 106,700 | 153,700 | 93,100 |
| | \$ 158,900 | \$ 145,500 | \$ 147,500 | \$ 194,000 | \$ 131,400 |

| | | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Billed charges of claims in inventory at end of period | | | | | |
| Claims in inventory per member at end of period | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.06 |
| Billed charges of claims in inventory per member at end of period | \$ 99.50 | \$ 103.12 | \$ 98.46 | \$ 130.90 | \$ 90.31 |
| Number of claims received during the period | 10,701,900 | 9,427,400 | 7,066,100 | 3,493,300 | 12,930,100 |
| Billed charges of claims received during the period | \$ 8,615,500 | \$ 7,180,800 | \$ 5,605,400 | \$ 2,760,500 | \$ 9,769,000 |

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We use various strategies to mitigate the negative effects of health care cost inflation. Specifically, our health plans try to control medical and hospital costs through contracts with independent providers of health care services. Through these contracted providers, our health plans emphasize preventive health care and appropriate use of specialty and hospital services. There can be no assurance, however, that our strategies to mitigate health care cost inflation will be successful. Competitive pressures, new health care and pharmaceutical product introductions, demands from health care providers and customers, applicable regulations, or other factors may affect our ability to control health care costs.

Compliance Costs

Our health plans are regulated by both state and federal government agencies. Regulation of managed care products and health care services is an evolving area of law that varies from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. Regulatory agencies generally have discretion to issue regulations and interpret and enforce laws and rules. Changes in applicable laws and rules occur frequently. Compliance with such laws and rules may lead to additional costs related to the implementation of additional systems, procedures and programs that we have not yet identified.

Item 3. *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.***Concentrations of Credit Risk**

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, investments, receivables, and restricted investments. We invest a substantial portion of our cash in the PFM Fund Prime Series Institutional Class, and the PFM Fund Government Series. These funds represent a portfolio of highly liquid money market securities that are managed by PFM Asset Management LLC (PFM), a Virginia business trust registered as an open-end management investment fund. Our investments and a portion of our cash equivalents are managed by professional portfolio managers operating under documented investment guidelines. No investment that is in a loss position can be sold by our managers without our prior approval. Our investments consist solely of investment grade debt securities with a maximum maturity of five years and an average duration of two years. Restricted investments are invested principally in certificates of deposit and treasury securities. Concentration of credit risk with respect to accounts receivable is limited due to payors consisting principally of the governments of each state in which our subsidiaries operate.

Item 4. *Controls and Procedures*

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures: Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, has concluded, based upon its evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, that the Company's *disclosure controls and procedures* (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the *Exchange Act*)) are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting: There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2010 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

Table of Contents**PART II OTHER INFORMATION****Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

The health care industry is subject to numerous laws and regulations of federal, state, and local governments. Compliance with these laws and regulations can be subject to government review and interpretation, as well as regulatory actions unknown and unasserted at this time. Penalties associated with violations of these laws and regulations include significant fines, exclusion from participating in publicly-funded programs, and the repayment of previously billed and collected revenues.

We are involved in various legal actions in the normal course of business, some of which seek monetary damages, including claims for punitive damages, which are not covered by insurance. These actions, when finally concluded and determined, are not likely, in our opinion, to have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Certain risk factors may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations, and you should carefully consider them. The following risk factors were identified or re-evaluated by the Company during the third quarter and are a supplement to those risk factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, and to Part II, Item 1A Risk Factors, in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2010 and June 30, 2010. The risks described herein and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q are not the only risks facing our Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

MMIS operational problems in Idaho or Maine could result in reduced or withheld payments, actual damage or liquidated damage assessments, increased administrative costs, or even contract termination, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

From and after the MMIS operational or go live date of June 1, 2010, Molina Medicaid Solutions has experienced certain problems with the MMIS in Idaho. On October 5, 2010, Molina Medicaid Solutions received from the Idaho Department of Administration a notice to cure letter with respect to its alleged non-compliance with certain provisions of the MMIS project agreements. Molina Medicaid Solutions and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) have been working together to resolve the MMIS problems, and Molina Medicaid Solutions has developed a corrective action plan with respect to the identified problems and defects. Molina Medicaid Solutions believes it has ameliorated or corrected many of the identified problems, and that it will ultimately be successful in resolving all of the MMIS issues in Idaho. However, in the event Molina Medicaid Solutions is unsuccessful in correcting all of the identified problems, the Idaho Department of Administration may: (i) reduce or withhold its payments to Molina Medicaid Solutions, (ii) require Molina Medicaid Solutions to provide services at no additional cost to Idaho, (iii) require the payment of actual damages or liquidated damages, or (iv) terminate its contract with Molina Medicaid Solutions. In addition, Molina Medicaid Solutions may incur much greater administrative costs than expected in correcting the MMIS problems, or in advancing interim payments to Idaho providers. For example, the consulting and outside service costs for Idaho following its go-live operational date have not declined from the pre-operational level as had been previously expected. Finally, Idaho DHW may not accept the MMIS developed and implemented by Molina Medicaid Solutions, or CMS may not certify such MMIS. All of such risks are also applicable to the MMIS in Maine which became operational as of September 1, 2010. The realization of any of the foregoing risks could adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

There are numerous risks associated with the expansion of our Texas health plan's service area under the CHIP Rural Service Area Program, and with our acquisition of Abri Health Plan in Wisconsin.

In September 2010, our Texas health plan began arranging health care services for approximately 64,000 low-income children and pregnant women in 174 predominantly rural counties through Texas Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and CHIP Perinatal Program. In addition, on September 1, 2010, we acquired Abri Health Plan, a Medicaid managed care organization based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. As of September 30, 2010, Abri Health Plan served approximately 28,000 Medicaid members. There are numerous risks associated with a health plan's initial expansion into a new service area or the provision of medical services to a new population, including pent-up demand for

medical services, elevated medical care costs, and our lack of actuarial experience in setting appropriate reserve levels. In the event the medical care costs of our Texas or Wisconsin health plans are higher than anticipated, we are unable to lower the medical care ratio associated with these new populations, or our reserve levels are inadequate, the negative results of our Texas or Wisconsin health plan could adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

Table of Contents**There are numerous revenue recognition risks associated with certain provisions in the state Medicaid contracts of our New Mexico, Ohio, Florida, and Texas health plans.**

The state contracts of our New Mexico, Florida, and Texas health plans contain provisions pertaining to medical cost floors, administrative cost and profit ceilings, and profit sharing arrangements. These provisions are subject to interpretation and application by our health plans. In the event the applicable state government agency disagrees with our health plan's interpretation or application of the contract provisions at issue, the health plan could be required to adjust the amount of its obligations under these provisions and/or make a payment or payments to the state. Any interpretation or application of these provisions at variance with our health plan's interpretation or inconsistent with our revenue recognition accounting treatment could adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

In addition, the state contracts of our Ohio, New Mexico, and Texas health plans contain provisions pertaining to at-risk premiums that require us to meet certain quality performance measures in order to earn all of our contract revenues in those states. In the event we are unsuccessful in achieving the stated performance measure, our health plan will be unable to recognize the revenue associated with that measure. Any failure of our health plan to satisfy one of these performance measure provisions, or the interpretation or application of these performance measure provisions at variance with our health plan's interpretation, could adversely affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations.

There are risks associated with the expected rate increase of approximately 2% effective October 1, 2010 for our California health plan.

On October 8, 2010, the state of California approved a budget for its state fiscal year 2011 running from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. Based on the amounts budgeted for Medi-Cal managed care plans, our California health plan has projected that it will receive a blended PMPM rate increase of approximately 2% effective as of October 1, 2010. The fiscal year 2010 guidance we issued on October 26, 2010 assumes a rate increase at our California health plan of 2% effective as of October 1, 2010. In the event our California health plan does not receive the expected 2% rate increase, or the increase does not become effective as of October 1, 2010, our fiscal year 2010 financial results could be less favorable than projected in our guidance.

We face periodic routine and non-routine reviews, audits, and investigations by government agencies, and these reviews and audits could have adverse findings, which could negatively impact our business.

We are subject to various routine and non-routine governmental reviews, audits, and investigations. Violation of the laws, regulations, or contract provisions governing our operations, or changes in interpretations of those laws, could result in the imposition of civil or criminal penalties, the cancellation of our contracts to provide managed care services, the suspension or revocation of our licenses, the exclusion from participation in government sponsored health programs, or the revision and recoupment of past payments made based on audit findings. For example, from July 26 to July 30, 2010, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, conducted an on-site audit with respect to our Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plan contracts in the compliance areas of enrollment and disenrollment, premium billing, Part D formulary administration, Part D appeals, grievances and coverage determinations and compliance program. As of November 3, 2010, we have not been provided with any written notification of the results of the audit. If we become subject to material fines or if other sanctions or other corrective actions were imposed upon us, whether as a result of this most recent CMS audit or otherwise, we might suffer a substantial reduction in profitability, and might also lose one or more of our government contracts and as a result lose significant numbers of members and amounts of revenue. In addition, government receivables are subject to government audit and negotiation, and government contracts are vulnerable to disagreements with the government. The final amounts we ultimately receive under government contracts may be different from the amounts we initially recognize in our financial statements.

States may not adequately compensate us for the value of drug rebates that were previously earned by the Company but that are now collectible by the states.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act includes certain provisions which change the way rebates for drugs are handled for Medicaid managed care plans. Retroactive to March 23, 2010, state Medicaid programs are now required to collect rebates on all Medicaid-covered outpatient drugs dispensed or administered to Medicaid managed

care enrollees (excluding certain drugs that are already discounted), and drug companies will be required to pay specified rebates directly to the state Medicaid programs. This will likely impact the level of rebates received by managed care plans from the drug companies for Medicaid managed care enrollees. Many drug companies are in the process of renegotiating their rebate contracts with Medicaid managed care plans and pharmacy benefits managers. As a result, the drug rebate amounts paid to managed care plans like ours will likely decline significantly in the future. Although we will be pursuing rate increases with state agencies to make us whole for the rebate amounts lost, there can be no assurances that the premium increases we may receive, if any, will be adequate to offset the amount of the lost rebates. If such premium increases prove to be inadequate, our business, financial condition, cash flows, or results of operations could be adversely affected.

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Item 6. Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Title |
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| 31.1 | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. |
| 31.2 | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. |
| 32.1 | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 32.2 | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC.
(Registrant)

Dated: November 4, 2010

/s/ JOSEPH M. MOLINA, M.D.

Joseph M. Molina, M.D.
Chairman of the Board,
Chief Executive Officer and President
(Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: November 4, 2010

/s/ JOHN C. MOLINA, J.D.

John C. Molina, J.D.
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer)