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

**FORM 10-Q** 

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009

or

#### TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 0

to

For the transition period from \_

Commission file number 001-13619

## **BROWN & BROWN, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

220 South Ridgewood Avenue, **Davtona Beach**, FL (Address of principal executive offices)



59-0864469 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 32114 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (386) 252-9601 Registrant's Website: www.bbinsurance.com

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, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90days. Yes x No 0

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 (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes o No o

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.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer o Х Smaller reporting company[] o Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) 0 Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

The number of shares of the Registrant's common stock, \$.10 par value, outstanding as of November 4, 2009 was 142,033,395.

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#### **Disclosure Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

Brown & Brown, Inc., together with its subsidiaries (collectively, "we," "Brown & Brown" or the "Company"), makes "forward-looking statements" within the "safe harbor" provision of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, throughout this report and in the documents we incorporate by reference into this report. You can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "intend," "estimate," "plan" and "continue" or similar words. We have based these statements on our current expectations about future events. Although we believe the expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements included in this Form 10-Q and those reports, statements, information and announcements incorporated by reference are based on reasonable assumptions within the bounds of our knowledge of our business, a number of factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements, whether oral or written, made by us or on our behalf. Many of these factors have previously been identified in filings or statements made by us or on our behalf. Important factors which could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. Important factors which could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. Important factors which could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements in this report include the following items, in addition to those matters described in Part I, Item 2 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Part II, Item 1A "Risk Factors":

- Material adverse changes in economic conditions in the markets we serve and in the general economy;
- Future regulatory actions and conditions in the states in which we conduct our business;
- Competition from others in the insurance agency, wholesale brokerage, insurance programs and service business;
- A significant portion of business written by Brown & Brown is for customers located in California, Florida, Indiana, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas and Washington. Accordingly, the occurrence of adverse economic conditions, an adverse regulatory climate, or a disaster in any of these states could have a material adverse effect on our business;
- The integration of our operations with those of businesses or assets we have acquired or may acquire in the future and the failure to realize the expected benefits of such integration; and
- Other risks and uncertainties as may be detailed from time to time in our public announcements and Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filings.

Forward-looking statements that we make or that are made by others on our behalf are based on a knowledge of our business and the environment in which we operate, but because of the factors listed above, among others, actual results may differ from those in the forward-looking statements. Consequently, these cautionary statements qualify all of the forward-looking statements we make herein. We cannot assure you that the results or developments anticipated by us will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that those results or developments will yield the expected consequences for us or affect us, our business or our operations in the way we expect. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of their dates. We assume no obligation to update any of the forward-looking statements.

## PART I -FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## **ITEM 1 – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)**

## BROWN & BROWN, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands, except per share data)		For the thi ended Sep	For the nine months ended September 30,						
		2009	2008			2009		2008	
REVENUES									
Commissions and fees	\$	243,016	\$	243,766	\$	751,575	\$	736,129	
Investment income		175		1,228		945		5,136	
Other income, net		575		2,035		1,195		4,199	
Total revenues		243,766		247,029		753,715		745,464	
EXPENSES									
Employee compensation and benefits		119,607		122,172		369,573		363,873	
Non-cash stock-based compensation		1,732		1,819		5,243		5,563	
Other operating expenses		35,523		36,405		107,007		101,993	
Amortization		12,468		12,281		37,372		34,789	
Depreciation		3,323		3,391		9,955		9,929	
Interest		3,622		3,867		10,888		11,045	
Total expenses		176,275		179,935		540,038		527,192	
Income before income taxes		67,491		67,094		213,677		218,272	
Income taxes		26,530		26,501		84,036		85,521	
Net income	\$	40,961	\$	40,593	\$	129,641	\$	132,751	
Net income per share:									
Basic	\$	0.29	\$	0.29	\$	0.92	\$	0.94	
Diluted	\$	0.29	\$	0.29	\$	0.91	\$	0.94	
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Weighted average number of shares outstanding:									
Basic		137,279		136,409		137,052		136,157	
Diluted		137,671		136,941		137,403		136,718	
Dividends declared per share	\$	0.075	\$	0.07	\$	0.225	\$	0.21	

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## BROWN & BROWN, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(in thousands, except per share data)	September 30, 2009			cember 31, 2008
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	186,247	\$	78,557
Restricted cash and investments		158,843		144,750
Short-term investments		8,219		7,511
Premiums, commissions and fees receivable Deferred income taxes		238,525		244,515
Other current assets		36,487		14,171 33,528
Total current assets		628,321		523,032
Fixed assets, net		62,324		63,520
Goodwill		1,063,357		1,023,372
Amortizable intangible assets, net		477,541		495,627
Other assets		6,579		14,029
Total assets	\$	2,238,122	\$	2,119,580
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Liabilities:				
Premiums payable to insurance companies	\$	349,777	\$	357,707
Premium deposits and credits due customers	Ψ	48,224	Ψ	43,577
Accounts payable		14,987		18,872
Accrued expenses		83,493		96,325
Current portion of long-term debt		11,464		6,162
Total current liabilities		507,945		522,643
Long-term debt		250,589		253,616
Deferred income taxes, net		107,996		90,143
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Other liabilities		16,898		11,437
Shareholders' Equity: Common stock, par value \$0.10 per share; authorized 280,000 shares; issued and outstanding 142,046 at 2009 and				
141,544 at 2008		14,205		14,154
Additional paid-in capital		265,324		250,167
Retained earnings		1,075,161		977,407
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of related income tax effect of \$3 at 2009 and \$8 at 2008		4		13
Total shareholders' equity		1,354,694		1,241,741
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	2,238,122	\$	2,119,580
See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.				

## BROWN & BROWN, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

	For the nine montl ended September 3				
(in thousands)		2009		2008	
Cash flows from operating activities:	<b>.</b>	100 011	<i>•</i>		
Net income	\$	129,641	\$	132,751	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				24 500	
Amortization		37,372		34,789	
Depreciation		9,955		9,929	
Non-cash stock-based compensation		5,243		5,563	
Deferred income taxes		32,029		33,750	
Net loss (gain) on sales of investments, fixed assets and customer accounts		499		(235)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effect from acquisitions and divestitures:		(14.002)		10 700	
Restricted cash and investments (increase) decrease		(14,093)		13,788	
Premiums, commissions and fees receivable decrease (increase)		7,633 3,323		(12,010)	
Other assets decrease				9,432	
Premiums payable to insurance companies (decrease)		(8,916) 4,518		(6,826) 7,067	
Premium deposits and credits due customers increase		· · · · ·		· · ·	
Accounts payable (decrease) Accrued expenses (decrease)		(3,830) (13,346)		(7,758) (14,503)	
Other liabilities (decrease)		(13,346) (770)		(14,503) (1,672)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		189,258		204,065	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Additions to fixed assets		(8,734)		(11,115)	
Payments for businesses acquired, net of cash acquired		(42,272)		(221,616)	
Proceeds from sales of fixed assets and customer accounts		886		3,881	
Purchases of investments		(5,601)		(7,874)	
Proceeds from sales of investments		4,879		4,080	
Net cash used in investing activities		(50,842)		(232,644)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from long-term debt				25,000	
Payments on long-term debt		(8,804)		(15,672)	
Borrowings on revolving credit facility		12,670		2,180	
Payments on revolving credit facility		(12,670)		(2,180)	
Income tax benefit from exercise of stock options		110		_	
Issuances of common stock for employee stock benefit plans		9,855		10,611	
Cash dividends paid		(31,887)		(29,594)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(30,726)		(9,655)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		107,690		(38,234)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		78,557		38,234	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	186,247	\$		
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See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### BROWN & BROWN, INC. NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

#### **NOTE 1 · Nature of Operations**

Brown & Brown, Inc., a Florida corporation, and its subsidiaries is a diversified insurance agency, wholesale brokerage, insurance programs and services organization that markets and sells to its customers insurance products and services, primarily in the property and casualty area. Brown & Brown's business is divided into four reportable segments: the Retail Division, which provides a broad range of insurance products and services to commercial, professional, public and quasi-public entities, and individual customers; the Wholesale Brokerage Division, which markets and sells excess and surplus commercial insurance and reinsurance, primarily through independent agents and brokers; the National Programs Division, which is composed of two units — Professional Programs, which provides professional liability and related package products for certain professionals delivered through nationwide networks of independent agents, and Special Programs, which markets targeted products and services designated for specific industries, trade groups, public and quasi-public entities and market niches; and the Services Division, which provides insurance-related services, including third-party claims administration and comprehensive medical utilization management services in both the workers' compensation and all-lines liability arenas, as well as Medicare set-aside services.

#### NOTE 2 · Basis of Financial Reporting

The accompanying unaudited, condensed, consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. These unaudited, condensed, consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2009.

## NOTE 3 · Net Income Per Share

Effective in 2009, the Company adopted a new Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") authoritative guidance that states that unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents are participating securities and, therefore, are included in computing earnings per share ("EPS") pursuant to the two-class method. The two-class method determines earnings per share for each class of common stock and participating securities according to dividends or dividend equivalents and their respective participation rights in undistributed earnings. Performance stock shares granted to employees under the Company's Performance Stock Plan are considered participating securities as they receive non-forfeitable dividend equivalents at the same rate as common stock. This new guidance, which was incorporated into ASC 260 - Earnings Per Share, was adopted via retroactive application for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2008, resulting in no change in either basic or diluted EPS for either period.

Basic earnings per share is computed based on the weighted average number of common shares issued and outstanding during the period, including unvested restricted shares. Diluted earnings per share is computed based on the weighted average common shares issued and outstanding plus equivalent shares assuming exercise of stock options. The dilutive effect of stock options is computed by application of the treasury stock method. The following is a reconciliation between basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding:

		For the thr ended Sept			For the nine months ended September 30,					
(in thousands, except per share data)		2009		2008		2009		2008		
Net income	\$	40,961	\$	40,593	\$	129,641	\$	132,751		
Net income attributable to unvested awarded performance stock		(1,310)		(1,342)		(4,194)		(4,409)		
Net income attributable to common shares	\$	39,651	\$	39,251	\$\$	125,447	\$	128,342		
Weighted average basic number of common shares outstanding		141,817		141,073		141,634		140,834		
Less unvested awarded performance stock included in weighted average basic share outstanding		(4,538)		(4,664)		(4,582)		(4,677)		
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding for basic earning per common share		137,279		136,409		137,052		136,157		
Dilutive effect of stock options		392		532		351		561		
Weighted average number of shares outstanding		137,671	_	136,941		137,403	_	136,718		
Net income per share: Basic Diluted	\$ \$	0.29	\$ \$	0.29	\$ \$	0.92	\$ \$	0.94		

#### **NOTE 4 · New Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2009, the FASB issued authoritative guidance establishing two levels of U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") – authoritative and nonauthoritative – and making the Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") the source of authoritative, nongovernmental GAAP, except for rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission. This guidance, which was incorporated into ASC Topic 105 - Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, was effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. The adoption changed certain disclosure references to U.S. GAAP, but did not have any other impact on the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements.

*Business Combinations* — In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance requiring an acquirer to recognize 100% of the fair values of acquired assets, including goodwill, and assumed liabilities (with only limited exceptions) upon initially obtaining control of an acquired entity even if the acquirer has not acquired 100% of its target. Additionally, the fair value of contingent consideration arrangements (such as earn-out purchase arrangements) at the acquisition date must be included in the purchase price consideration. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred. This guidance also modifies the recognition of pre-acquisition contingencies, such as environmental or legal issues, restructuring plans and acquired research and development value in purchase accounting. This guidance also amends ASC Topic 740 - Income Taxes, to require the acquirer to recognize changes in the amount of its deferred tax benefits that are recognizable because of a business combination, either in income from continuing operations in the period of the combination or directly in contributed capital, depending on the circumstances. This guidance, which was incorporated into ASC Topic 805 - Business Combinations, is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted this guidance on a prospective basis. As a result, the recorded purchase price for all acquisitions consummated after January 1, 2009 will include an estimation of the fair value of liabilities associated with any potential earn-out provisions. Subsequent changes in these earn-out obligations will be recorded in the consolidated statement of income when incurred. Potential earn-out obligations are typically based upon future earnings of the acquired entities, usually between one and three years.

In April 2008, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under ASC Topic 350 – Intangibles-Goodwill and Other. This guidance requires enhanced disclosures concerning a company's treatment of costs incurred to renew or extend the term of a recognized intangible asset. This guidance, which is incorporated into ASC Topic 350 – Intangibles-Goodwill and Other, is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The adoption of this guidance did not have any material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2008, the FASB ratified authoritative guidance that applies to defensive intangible assets, which are acquired intangible assets that the acquirer does not intend to actively use but intends to hold to prevent its competitors from obtaining access to them. As these assets are separately identifiable, this guidance requires an acquiring entity to account for defensive intangible assets as a separate unit of accounting which should be amortized to expense over the period the asset diminished in value. Defensive intangible assets must be recognized at fair value in accordance with ASC Topic 805 - Business Combinations, and ASC Topic 820 – Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures. This guidance, which was incorporated into ASC Topic 350 – Intangibles-Goodwill and Other, was effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The adoption of guidance did not have any material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Subsequent Events - In May 2009, the FASB issued authoritative guidance establishing general standards of accounting for, and disclosures of, events that occur after the balance sheet date but before the financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. This guidance, which was incorporated into ASC Topic 855 - Subsequent Events, was effective on a prospective basis for interim or annual periods ending after June 15, 2009, and was adopted on June 1, 2009. This guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date and time the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements were issued on November 6, 2009. No material subsequent events have occurred since September 30, 2009 that required recognition or disclosure in our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

International Accounting Standards — International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") are a set of standards and interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards board. The Securities and Exchange Commission is currently considering a potential IFRS adoption process in the United States, which could, in the near term, provide domestic issuers with an alternative accounting method and which could ultimately replace U.S. GAAP reporting requirements with IFRS reporting requirements. We are currently investigating the implications should we be required to adopt IFRS in the future.

#### **NOTE 5 · Business Combinations**

#### Acquisitions in 2009

For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Brown & Brown acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of eight insurance intermediaries and several books of business (customer accounts). The aggregate purchase price of these acquisitions was \$46,956,000 including \$38,780,000 of net cash payments, the issuance of notes payable of \$340,000, the assumption of \$1,575,000 of liabilities and \$6,261,000 of recorded earn-out payables. All of these acquisitions were acquired primarily to expand Brown & Brown's core businesses and to attract and hire high-quality individuals. Acquisition purchase prices are typically based on a multiple of average annual operating profit earned over a one- to three-year period within a minimum and maximum price range. The recorded purchase price for all acquisitions consummated after January 1, 2009 included an estimation of the fair value of liabilities associated with any potential earn-out provisions. Subsequent changes in the fair value of earn-out obligations will be recorded in the consolidated statement of income when incurred.

The fair value of earn-out obligations is based on the present value of the expected future payments to be made to the sellers of the acquired businesses in accordance with the provisions outlined in the respective purchase agreements. In determining fair value, the acquired business's future performance is estimated using financial projections developed by management for the acquired business and reflects market participant assumptions regarding revenue growth and/or profitability. The expected future payments are estimated on the basis of the earn-out formula and performance targets specified in each purchase agreement compared to the associated financial projections. These payments are then discounted to present value using a risk-adjusted rate that takes into consideration the likelihood that the forecasted earn-out payments will be made. The change to the fair value of earn-out obligations recorded in net income for the three or nine months ended September 30, 2009 was not material.

All of these acquisitions have been accounted for as business combinations and are as follows:

(in thousands) Name	Business Segment	2009 Date of Acquisition	Net Cash Note Paid Payable			Recorded Earn-out Payable			Recorded Purchase Price	Maximum Potential Earn-out Payable		
Conner Strong Companies, Inc.	Retail	January 2	\$ 22,748	\$		\$		\$	22,748	\$		
Other	Various	Various	 16,032		340		6,261		22,633		13,169	
Total			\$ 38,780	\$	340	\$	6,261	\$	45,381	\$	13,169	

The following table summarizes the estimated fair values of the aggregate assets and liabilities acquired as of the date of each acquisition:

	Conner							
(in thousands)	St	rong		Other	Total			
Fiduciary cash	\$	_	\$		\$			
Other current assets		556		1,087		1,643		
Fixed assets		52		122		174		
Goodwill		13,591		12,218		25,809		
Purchased customer accounts		8,698		10,531		19,229		
Noncompete agreements		—		103		103		
Other assets				(2)		(2)		
Total assets acquired		22,897		24,059		46,956		
Other current liabilities		(149)		(1,426)		(1,575)		
Total liabilities assumed		(149)		(1,426)		(1,575)		
Net assets acquired	\$	22,748	\$	22,633	\$	45,381		

The weighted average useful lives for the above acquired amortizable intangible assets are as follows: purchased customer accounts, 14.9 years; and noncompete agreements, 5.0 years.

Goodwill of \$25,809,000, of which \$20,305,000 is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes, was assigned to the Retail, Wholesale Brokerage, National Programs, and Services Divisions in the amounts of \$20,958,000, \$1,070,000, \$3,781,000, and \$0, respectively.

The results of operations for the acquisitions completed during 2009 have been combined with those of the Company since their respective acquisition dates. The total revenues and net pre-tax income from the acquisitions completed thus far during 2009 included in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income for the three months ended September 30, 2009 were \$4,078,000 and \$333,000, respectively. The total revenues and net pre-tax income from the acquisitions completed thus far during 2009 included in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 were \$10,442,000 and \$1,091,000, respectively. If the acquisitions had occurred as of the beginning of each period, the Company's results of operations would be as shown in the following table. These unaudited pro forma results are not necessarily indicative of the actual results of operations that would have occurred had the acquisitions actually been made at the beginning of the respective periods.

		For the thi ended Sep			For the ni ended Sep			
(in thousands, except per share data)	2009		2008		2009			2008
Total revenues	\$	244,067	\$	252,505	\$	757,921	\$	761,460
Income before income taxes		67,607		68,916		215,112		223,623
Net income		41,031		41,695		130,512		136,006
Net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.29	\$	0.30	\$	0.92	\$	0.97
Diluted	\$	0.29	\$	0.29	\$	0.92	\$	0.96
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:								
Basic		137,279		136,409		137,052		136,157
Diluted		137,671		136,941		137,403	_	136,718

#### Acquisitions in 2008

For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, Brown & Brown acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of 28 insurance intermediaries, the stock of two insurance intermediaries and several books of business (customer accounts). The aggregate purchase price of these acquisitions was \$233,988,000, including \$215,126,000 of net cash payments, the issuance of \$5,213,000 in notes payable and the assumption of \$13,649,000 of liabilities. All of these acquisitions were acquired primarily to expand Brown & Brown's core businesses and to attract and hire high-quality individuals. Acquisition purchase prices are typically based on a multiple of average annual operating profits earned over a one- to three-year period within a minimum and maximum price range. The initial asset allocation of an acquisition is based on the minimum purchase price, and any subsequent contingent consideration (earn-out payment) is allocated to goodwill. Acquisitions are initially recorded at preliminary fair values. Subsequently, the Company completes the final fair value allocations and any adjustments to assets or liabilities acquired are recorded in the current period.

All of these acquisitions have been accounted for as business combinations and are as follows:

(in thousands) Name	Business Segment	2008 Date of Acquisition	Net Cash Paid	Notes Payable	Recorded Purchase Price
LDP Consulting Group, Inc.	Retail	January 24	39,241	-	39,241
Powers & Effler Insurance Brokers	Retail	April 1	25,036	-	25,036
HBA Insurance Group, Inc.	Retail	June 1	48,306	2,000	50,306
Fullerton & Company, Inc.	Retail	August 1	17,399	-	17,399
Other	Various	Various	85,144	3,213	88,357
Total			\$ 215,126	\$ 5,213	\$ 220,339

The following table summarizes the estimated fair values of the aggregate assets and liabilities acquired as of the date of each acquisition:

(in thousands)		LDP	Powers	HBA	F	ullerton	Other		Total
Fiduciary cash	\$	173	\$ -	\$ -	\$	1,541	\$ -	\$	1,714
Other current									
assets		1,121	75	-		1,242	1,804		4,242
Fixed assets		19	353	652		41	504		1,569
Goodwill		21,857	17,227	35,158		15,029	49,128		138,399
Purchased customer accounts		21,225	7,545	14,390		5,105	38,421		86,686
Noncompete agreements		55	11	141		80	420		707
Other assets		11	-	-		644	16		671
Total assets acquired		44,461	25,211	 50,341		23,682	90,293		233,988
Other current									
liabilities		(5,220)	(175)	(35)		(4,589)	(1,936)		(11,955)
Deferred income									
taxes		-	-	-		(1,694)	-		(1,694)
Total liabilities assumed		(5,220)	 (175)	(35)		(6,283)	(1,936)	_	(13,649)
Net assets	_				_			_	
acquired	\$	39,241	\$ 25,036	\$ 50,306	\$	17,399	\$ 88,357	\$	220,339

The weighted average useful lives for the above acquired amortizable intangible assets are as follows: purchased customer accounts, 15.0 years and noncompete agreements, 5.0 years.

Goodwill of \$138,399,000, of which \$123,797,000 is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes, was assigned to the Retail, Wholesale Brokerage, National Programs and Services Divisions in the amounts of \$134,576,000, \$3,503,000, \$320,000, and \$0, respectively.

The results of operations for the acquisitions completed during 2008 have been combined with those of the Company since their respective acquisition dates. If the acquisitions had occurred as of the beginning of each period, the Company's results of operations would be as shown in the following table. These unaudited pro forma results are not necessarily indicative of the actual results of operations that would have occurred had the acquisitions actually been made at the beginning of the respective periods.

		For the the ended Sep		For the nine months ended September 30,				
(in thousands, except per share data)		2008		2007		2008		2007
Total revenues	\$	248,448	\$	260,223	\$	775,833	\$	813,676
Income before income taxes		67,561		83,081		228,296		281,641
Net income		40,875		50,901		138,847		172,408
Net income per share:								
Basic	\$	0.29	\$	0.36	\$	0.99	\$	1.23
Diluted	\$	0.29	\$	0.36	\$	0.98	\$	1.22
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:								
Basic		136,409		135,728		136,157		135,455
Diluted		136,941		136,423		136,718	_	136,263

For acquisitions consummated prior to January 1, 2009, additional consideration paid to sellers as a result of purchase price earn-out provisions are recorded as adjustments to intangible assets when the contingencies are settled. The net additional consideration paid thus far by the Company in 2009 as a result of these adjustments totaled \$14,232,000, of which \$14,176,000 was allocated to goodwill, \$31,000 to noncompete agreements and \$25,000 to purchased customer accounts. Of the \$14,232,000 net additional consideration paid, \$3,492,000 was paid in cash and \$10,740,000 was issued in notes payable. The net additional consideration paid by the Company in 2008 as a result of these adjustments totaled \$14,642,000, of which \$14,560,000 was allocated to goodwill, \$30,000 to non-compete agreements and \$52,000 of net liabilities were forgiven. Of the \$14,642,000 net additional consideration paid, \$8,204,000 was paid in cash and \$6,438,000 was issued in notes payable. As of September 30, 2009, the maximum future contingency payments related to acquisitions totaled \$189,329,000, of which \$6,261,000 is recorded as non-current earn-out liabilities and \$103,000 is recorded as interest expense accretion related to the earn-out liabilities.

## NOTE 6 · Goodwill

Goodwill is subject to at least an annual assessment for impairment by applying a fair value-based test. Brown & Brown completed its most recent annual assessment as of November 30, 2008 and identified no impairment as a result of the evaluation.

The changes in goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 are as follows:

(in thousands)	Retail	Wholesale Brokerage	National Programs	Services	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2009	\$ 620,588	\$ 246,216	\$ 147,298	\$ 9,270	\$ 1,023,372
Goodwill of acquired businesses	27,255	8,241	4,489	—	39,985
Goodwill disposed of relating to sales of businesses	 	 	 	 	 
Balance as of September 30, 2009	\$ 647,843	\$ 254,457	\$ 151,787	\$ 9,270	\$ 1,063,357

#### **NOTE 7 · Amortizable Intangible Assets**

Amortizable intangible assets at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 consisted of the following:

				September 30	, 20	09	December 31, 2008										
(in thousands)	(	Gross Carrying Value	Accumulated C Amortization		Net Carrying Value	Weighted Average Life (years)		Gross Carrying Value		Carrying		Accumulated Amortization				Net Carrying Value	Weighted Average Life (years)
Purchased customer accounts Noncompete	\$	744,044	\$	(268,232)	\$	475,812	14.9	\$	724,953	\$	(231,748)	\$	493,205	14.9			
agreements Total	\$	24,589 768,633	\$	(22,860) (291,092)	\$	1,729 477,541	7.3	\$	24,455 749,408	\$	(22,033) (253,781)	\$	2,422 495,627	7.3			

Amortization expense for other amortizable intangible assets for the years ending December 31, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 is estimated to be \$49,838,000, \$49,359,000, \$47,926,000, \$47,310,000, and \$46,410,000, respectively.

#### **NOTE 8 · Investments**

Investments consisted of the following:

		September 30, 2009 Carrying Value Non-				Decembe	r 31,	2008
						Carryir	ıg Va	alue
						Current		Non-
(in thousands)		Current Curr		Current				Current
Available-for-sale marketable equity securities	\$	32	\$		\$	46	\$	
Non-marketable equity securities and certificates of deposit		8,187		115		7,465		287
Total investments	\$	8,219	\$	115	\$	7,511	\$	287

The following table summarizes available-for-sale securities:

(in thousands)	Cos	t	Unr	ross ealized ains	τ	Gross Jnrealized Losses	]	Estimated Fair Value
Marketable equity securities: September 30, 2009	\$	25	¢	7	¢		¢	32
December 31, 2008	\$	25	\$	21	\$	_	\$	46



The following table summarizes the proceeds and realized gains (losses) on non-marketable equity securities and certificates of deposit for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008:

(in thousands)	1	Proceeds	Gross Realized Gains	Gross Realized Losses
For the three months ended:				
September 30, 2009	\$	781	\$ —	\$ (207)
September 30, 2008	\$	3,269	\$ _	\$ _
For the nine months ended:				
September 30, 2009	\$	4,879	\$ _	\$ (207)
September 30, 2008	\$	3,976	\$ 542	\$ (9)

#### NOTE 9 · Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 consisted of the following:

	Sep	September 30,		cember 31,
(in thousands)		2009		2008
Unsecured senior notes	\$	250,000	\$	250,000
Acquisition notes payable		11,996		9,665
Revolving credit facility				
Other notes payable		57		113
Total debt		262,053		259,778
Less current portion		(11,464)		(6,162)
Long-term debt	\$	250,589	\$	253,616

In 2004, the Company completed a private placement of \$200.0 million of unsecured senior notes (the "Notes"). The \$200.0 million is divided into two series: (1) Series A, which closed on September 15, 2004, for \$100.0 million due in 2011 and bearing interest at 5.57% per year; and (2) Series B, which closed on July 15, 2004, for \$100.0 million due in 2014 and bearing interest at 6.08% per year. Brown & Brown used the proceeds from the Notes for general corporate purposes, including acquisitions and repayment of existing debt. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, there was an outstanding balance of \$200.0 million on the Notes.

On December 22, 2006, the Company entered into a Master Shelf and Note Purchase Agreement (the "Master Agreement") with a national insurance company (the "Purchaser"). The Purchaser also purchased Notes issued by the Company in 2004. The Master Agreement provides for a \$200.0 million private uncommitted "shelf" facility for the issuance of senior unsecured notes over a three-year period, with interest rates that may be fixed or floating and with such maturity dates, not to exceed ten years, as the parties may determine. The Master Agreement includes various covenants, limitations and events of default similar to the Notes issued in 2004. The initial issuance of notes under the Master Agreement occurred on December 22, 2006, through the issuance of \$25.0 million in Series C Senior Notes due December 22, 2016, with a fixed interest rate of 5.66% per year. On February 1, 2008, \$25.0 million in Series D Senior Notes due January 15, 2015, with a fixed interest rate of 5.37% per year were issued. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 there was an outstanding balance of \$50.0 million under the Master Agreement. On September 30, 2009, the Company entered into a Letter Amendment to the Master Agreement (the "Amendment"). As a result of the Amendment, the expiration date of the period during which the Company may issue additional notes under the Master Agreement was extended to September 30, 2012. As consideration for the Amendment, the Company agreed to pay a renewal fee of \$50,000 to the Purchaser.

On June 12, 2008, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement") with a national banking institution that was dated as of June 3, 2008, amending and restating the existing Revolving Loan Agreement dated September 29, 2003, as amended (the "Revolving Agreement"), in order to increase the lending commitment to \$50.0 million (subject to potential increases up to \$100.0 million) and to extend the maturity date from December 20, 2011 to June 3, 2013. The Revolving Agreement initially provided for a revolving credit facility in the maximum principal amount of \$75.0 million. After a series of amendments that provided covenant exceptions for the notes issued or to be issued under the Master Agreement and relaxed or deleted certain other covenants, the maximum principal amount was reduced to \$20.0 million. The calculation of interest and fees is generally based on the Company's quarterly ratio of funded debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, and non-cash stock-based compensation. Interest is charged at a rate equal to 0.50% to 1.00% above the London Interbank Offering Rate ("LIBOR") or 1.00% below the base rate, each as more fully defined in the Loan Agreement. Fees include an upfront fee, an availability fee of 0.10% to 0.20%, and a letter of credit usage fee of 0.50% to 1.00%. The Loan Agreement contains various covenants, limitations, and events of default customary for similar facilities for similar borrowers. The 90-day LIBOR was 0.287% and 1.43% as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively. There were no borrowings against this facility at September 30, 2009 or December 31, 2008.

All three of these outstanding credit agreements require Brown & Brown to maintain certain financial ratios and to comply with certain other covenants. Brown & Brown was in compliance with all such covenants as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

Acquisition notes payable represent debt incurred to former owners of certain insurance operations acquired by Brown & Brown. These notes and future contingent payments are payable in monthly, quarterly, and annual installments through April 2011, including interest in the range from 0.0% to 6.0%.

## NOTE 10 · Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Information and Non-Cash Financing and Investing Activities

		For the ni ended Sep		
(in thousands)		2009		2008
Cash paid during the period for: Interest	¢	13,494	¢	13,332
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Income taxes	\$	56,889	\$	48,624

Brown & Brown's significant non-cash investing and financing activities are summarized as follows:

	 For the nin ended Sept		
(in thousands)	 2009		2008
Unrealized holding (loss) gain on available-for-sale securities, net of tax benefit of \$5 for 2009; net of tax benefit of			
\$0 for 2008	\$ (9)	\$	-
Notes payable issued or assumed for purchased customer accounts	\$ 17,340	\$	12,897
Notes receivable on the sale of fixed assets and customer accounts	\$ (958)	\$	2,916

## NOTE 11 · Comprehensive Income

The components of comprehensive income, net of related income tax effects, are as follows:

	For the the ended Sep		For the nine months ended September 30,					
(in thousands)	2009		2008		2009		2008	
Net income	\$ 40,961	\$	40,593	\$	129,641	\$	132,751	
Net unrealized holding gain (loss) on available-for-sale securities	 4		5		(9)		-	
Comprehensive income	\$ 40,965	\$	40,598	\$	129,632	\$	132,751	

#### NOTE 12 · Legal and Regulatory Proceedings

#### Legal Proceedings

The Company is involved in numerous pending or threatened proceedings by or against Brown & Brown, Inc. or one or more of its subsidiaries that arise in the ordinary course of business. The damages that may be claimed against the Company in these various proceedings are in some cases substantial, including in many instances claims for punitive or extraordinary damages. Some of these claims and lawsuits have been resolved, others are in the process of being resolved, and others are still in the investigation or discovery phase. The Company will continue to respond appropriately to these claims and lawsuits and to vigorously protect its interests.

Although the ultimate outcome of such matters cannot be ascertained and liabilities in indeterminate amounts may be imposed on Brown & Brown, Inc. or its subsidiaries, on the basis of present information, availability of insurance and legal advice, it is the opinion of management that the disposition or ultimate determination of such claims will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position. However, as (i) one or more of the Company's insurance carriers could take the position that portions of these claims are not covered by the Company's insurance, (ii) to the extent that payments are made to resolve claims and lawsuits, applicable insurance policy limits are eroded, and (iii) the claims and lawsuits relating to these matters are continuing to develop, it is possible that future results of operations or cash flows for any particular quarterly or annual period could be materially affected by unfavorable resolutions of these matters.

#### **Governmental Investigations Regarding Compensation Practices**

As disclosed in prior years, offices of the Company are parties to profit-sharing contingent commission agreements with certain insurance companies, including agreements providing for potential payment of revenue-sharing commissions by insurance companies based primarily on the overall profitability of the aggregate business written with those insurance companies and/or additional factors, such as retention ratios and the overall volume of business that an office or offices place with those insurance companies. Additionally, to a lesser extent, some offices of the Company are parties to override commission agreements with certain insurance companies, which provide for commission rates in excess of standard commission rates to be applied to specific lines of business, such as group health business, and which are based primarily on the overall volume of business that such office or offices place with those insurance to discontinue receiving profit-sharing contingent commissions or override commissions.

Governmental agencies, such as departments of insurance and offices of attorney general, in a number of states have looked or are looking into issues related to compensation practices in the insurance industry, and the Company continues to respond to written and oral requests for information and/or subpoenas seeking information related to this topic. The Company is currently in litigation commenced by the Company against the Attorney General's Office in Connecticut in an effort to protect the confidentiality of information sought by, or produced in response to, a subpoena. In addition, agencies in Arizona, Virginia, Washington, and Florida have concluded their respective investigations of subsidiaries of Brown & Brown, Inc. based in those states.

The Company cannot currently predict the impact or resolution of the various governmental inquiries or related matters and thus cannot reasonably estimate a range of possible loss, which could be material, or whether the resolution of these matters may harm the Company's business and/or lead to a decrease in or elimination of profit-sharing contingent commissions and override commissions, which could have a material adverse impact on the Company's consolidated financial condition.

For a more complete discussion of the foregoing matters, please see Item 3 of Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for our fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 and Note 13 to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in Item 8 of Part II thereof.

#### **NOTE 13 · Segment Information**

Brown & Brown's business is divided into four reportable segments: the Retail Division, which provides a broad range of insurance products and services to commercial, governmental, professional and individual customers; the Wholesale Brokerage Division, which markets and sells excess and surplus commercial and personal lines insurance, and reinsurance, primarily through independent agents and brokers; the National Programs Division, which is composed of two units - Professional Programs, which provides professional liability and related package products for certain professionals delivered through nationwide networks of independent agents, and Special Programs, which markets targeted products and services designed for specific industries, trade groups, public and quasi-public entities, and market niches; and the Services Division, which provides insurance-related services, including third-party administration, consulting for the workers' compensation and employee benefit self-insurance markets, managed healthcare services and Medicare set-aside services. Brown & Brown conducts all of its operations within the United States of America except for one start-up wholesale brokerage operation based in London, England that commenced business in March 2008 and had \$2.6 million of revenues for the year ended December 31, 2008, and \$4.8 million of revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2009.

Summarized financial information concerning Brown & Brown's reportable segments for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is shown in the following table. The "Other" column includes any income and expenses not allocated to reportable segments and corporate-related items, including the inter-company interest expense charge to the reporting segment.

	 For the nine months ended September 30, 2009											
			Wholesale		National							
(in thousands)	 Retail		Brokerage		Programs		Services		Other		Total	
Total revenues	\$ 451,966	\$	126,517	\$	148,656	\$	24,655	\$	1,921	\$	753,715	
Investment income	221		56		3		18		647		945	
Amortization	22,448		7,679		6,870		346		29		37,372	
Depreciation	4,567		2,164		2,030		263		931		9,955	
Interest	24,214		10,932		4,209		514		(28,981)		10,888	
Income before income taxes	101,257		18,587		58,575		5,483		29,775		213,677	
Total assets	1,754,160		618,801		697,402		46,396		(878,637)		2,238,122	
Capital expenditures	2,722		2,538		3,238		120		116		8,734	

	 For the nine months ended September 30, 2008											
(in thousands)	 Retail		Wholesale Brokerage		National Programs		Services		Other		Total	
Total revenues	\$ 450,959	\$	137,469	\$	128,141	\$	23,831	\$	5,064	\$	745,464	
Investment income	878		1,223		263		6		2,766		5,136	
Amortization	19,943		7,646		6,825		346		29		34,789	
Depreciation	4,518		2,169		2,017		317		908		9,929	
Interest	21,864		13,756		5,890		559		(31,024)		11,045	
Income before income taxes	115,229		19,634		42,565		5,346		35,498		218,272	
Total assets	1,636,519		629,145		615,028		43,238		(816,629)		2,107,301	
Capital expenditures	3,218		4,148		1,980		160		1,609		11,115	

#### ITEM 2 - MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

# THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSION UPDATES THE MD&A CONTAINED IN THE COMPANY'S ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED IN 2008, AND THE TWO DISCUSSIONS SHOULD BE READ TOGETHER.

#### GENERAL

We are a diversified insurance agency, wholesale brokerage and services organization headquartered in Daytona Beach and Tampa, Florida. As an insurance intermediary, our principal sources of revenue are commissions paid by insurance companies and, to a lesser extent, fees paid directly by customers. Commission revenues generally represent a percentage of the premium paid by an insured and are materially affected by fluctuations in both premium rate levels charged by insurance companies and the insureds' underlying "insurable exposure units," which are units that insurance companies use to measure or express insurance exposed to risk (such as property values, sales and payroll levels) in order to determine what premium to charge the insured. These premium rates are established by insurance companies based upon many factors, including reinsurance rates paid by insurance carriers, none of which we control.

The volume of business from new and existing insured customers, fluctuations in insurable exposure units and changes in general economic and competitive conditions all affect our revenues. For example, level rates of inflation or a continuing general decline in economic activity could limit increases in the values of insurable exposure units. Conversely, the increasing costs of litigation settlements and awards have caused some customers to seek higher levels of insurance coverage. Historically, our revenues have continued to grow as a result of an intense focus by us on net new business growth and acquisitions.

Our culture is a strong, decentralized sales culture with a focus on consistent, sustained growth over the long term. Our senior leadership group, in addition to the CEO and COO, includes 11 executive officers with regional responsibility for oversight of designated operations within the Company. Effective July 1, 2009, J. Powell Brown, who previously served as President of Brown & Brown, Inc., succeeded his father, J. Hyatt Brown, when he retired from the position of Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Hyatt Brown continued to serve as Chairman of the Board, and continues to be actively involved with acquisitions and recruitment.

We have increased annual revenues from \$95.6 million in 1993 (as originally stated, without giving effect to any subsequent acquisitions accounted for under the pooling-of-interests method of accounting) to \$977.6 million in 2008, a compound annual growth rate of 16.8%. In the same period, we increased annual net income from \$8.0 million (as originally stated, without giving effect to any subsequent acquisitions accounted for under the pooling-ofinterests method of accounting) to \$166.1 million in 2008, a compound annual growth rate of 22.4%. From 1993 through 2006, excluding the historical impact of poolings, our pre-tax margins (income before income taxes and minority interest divided by total revenues) improved in all but one year, and in that year, the pre-tax margin was essentially flat. These improvements resulted primarily from net new business growth (new business production offset by lost business), revenues generated by acquisitions, and continued operating efficiencies.

We experienced increased overall revenue growth in 2008, which was primarily attributable to our acquisition in 2008 of 45 agency entities and several books of business (customer accounts) that generated total annualized revenues of approximately \$120.2 million. In the first nine months of 2009, we acquired eight agency entities and several books of business (customer accounts) that generated total annualized revenues of approximately \$20.4 million.

Despite this increased overall revenue growth, however, the past two years have posed significant challenges for us and for our industry in the form of a prevailing decline in insurance premium rates, commonly referred to as a "soft market," increased significant governmental involvement in the Florida insurance marketplace and, beginning in the second half of 2008, increased pressure on the number of insurable exposure units as the consequence of the general weakening of the economy in the United States. Due to these challenges, among others, we have suffered substantial loss of revenues. While insurance premium rates declined during most of 2008 in most lines of coverage, the rate of the decline seemed to slow in the second half of 2008 and the first nine months of 2009. For the remaining three months of 2009, continued declining exposure units are likely to have a greater negative impact on our commissions and fees revenues than will any declining insurance premium rates.

We also earn "profit-sharing contingent commissions," which are profit-sharing commissions based primarily on underwriting results, but may also reflect considerations for volume, growth and/or retention. These commissions are primarily received in the first and second quarters of each year, based on underwriting results and the other aforementioned considerations for the prior year(s). Over the last three years, profit-sharing contingent commissions have averaged approximately 6.1% of the previous year's total commissions and fees revenue. Profit-sharing contingent commissions are typically included in our total commissions and fees in the Consolidated Statements of Income in the year received. The term "core commissions and fees" that we use herein excludes profit-sharing contingent commissions and therefore represents the revenues earned directly from specific insurance policies sold, and specific fee-based services rendered. In 2007 and 2008, six national insurance companies announced the replacement of the current loss-ratio based profit-sharing contingent commissions" ("GSC"). Since this new GSC is not subject to the uncertainty of loss ratios, earnings are accrued throughout the year based on actual premiums written and included in our calculations of "core commissions and fees." During 2008, \$13.4 million was earned from GSC, of which most was collected in the first quarter of 2009. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, \$12.8 million and \$9.7 million, respectively was earned from GSC.

Fee revenues are generated primarily by: (1) our Services Division, which provides insurance-related services, including third-party claims administration and comprehensive medical utilization management services in both the workers' compensation and all-lines liability arenas, as well as Medicare set-aside services, and (2) our Wholesale Brokerage and National Program Divisions which earn fees primarily for the issuance of insurance policies on behalf of insurance carriers. Fee revenues, as a percentage of our total commissions and fees, represented 13.7% in 2008, 14.3% in 2007 and 14.1% in 2006.

Investment income historically consists primarily of interest earnings on premiums and advance premiums collected and held in a fiduciary capacity before being remitted to insurance companies. Our policy is to invest available funds in high-quality, short-term fixed income investment securities. As a result of the bank liquidity and solvency issues in the United States in the last quarter of 2008, we moved substantial amounts of our cash into non-interest bearing checking accounts so that they would be fully insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or into money-market investment funds, (a portion of which recently became FDIC insured) of SunTrust and Wells Fargo, two large banks. Investment income also includes gains and losses realized from the sale of investments.

#### Florida Insurance Overview

Many states have established "Residual Markets," which are governmental or quasi-governmental insurance facilities that provide coverage to individuals and/or businesses that cannot buy insurance in the private marketplace, i.e., "insurers of last resort." These facilities can be for any type of risk or exposure; however, the most common are usually automobile or high-risk property coverage. Residual Markets can also be referred to as: FAIR Plans, Windstorm Pools, Joint Underwriting Associations, or may even be given names styled after the private sector such as "Citizens Property Insurance Corporation."

In August 2002, the Florida Legislature created "Citizens Property Insurance Corporation" ("Citizens") to be the "insurer of last resort" in Florida and Citizens therefore charged insurance rates that were higher than those prevailing in the general private insurance marketplace. In each of 2004 and 2005, four major hurricanes made landfall in Florida, and as a result of the significant insurance property losses, insurance rates increased in 2006. To counter the increased property insurance rates, the State of Florida instructed Citizens to essentially cut its property insurance rates in half beginning in January 2007. By state law, Citizens has guaranteed these rates through January 1, 2010. Therefore, Citizens became one of the most, if not the most, competitive risk-bearers for a large percentage of the commercial habitational coastal property exposures, such as condominiums, apartments, and certain assisted living facilities. Additionally, Citizens became the only reasonably available insurance market for certain homeowner policies throughout Florida. By the end of 2007 and throughout 2008 and the first nine months of 2009, Citizens was one of the largest underwriters of coastal property exposures in Florida.

Since Citizens became the principal direct competitor of the insurance carriers that underwrite the condominium program administered by Florida Intracoastal Underwriters ("FIU"), one of our subsidiaries, and the excess and surplus lines insurers represented by our Florida-based wholesale brokers such as Hull & Company, another of our subsidiaries, these operations lost significant amounts of revenue to Citizens during 2007. During 2008, FIU's revenues were relatively flat and therefore, Citizens' impact was not as dramatic as in 2007. However, Citizens continued to be very competitive against the excess and surplus lines insurers and therefore significantly negatively affected the revenues of our Florida-based wholesale brokerage operations.

Citizens' impact on our Florida Retail Division was less severe than on our National Programs and Wholesale Brokerage Divisions, because to our Florida Retail Division, Citizens represents another risk-bearer with which to write business, although at slightly lower commission rates and greater difficulty in placing coverage. Citizens' rates for 2009 will remain relatively unchanged. Based on new legislation passed into law during the second quarter of 2009, however, Citizens' rates will increase by approximately 10% effective January 1, 2010.

#### **Company Overview – Third Quarter of 2009**

For the eleventh consecutive quarter, we recorded negative internal revenue growth of our core commissions and fees revenues as a direct result of the continuing "soft market," the competitiveness of Citizens, and the general weakness of the economy since the second half of 2008. Our total commissions and fees revenues excluding the effect of recent acquisitions, profit-sharing contingencies and sales of books of businesses over the last three months, had a negative internal growth rate of (5.2)%. Partially offsetting the negative internal growth rate were the revenues from acquisitions completed since the third quarter of 2008.

#### Acquisitions

During the first nine months of 2009, we acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of eight insurance intermediary operations, and several books of business (customer accounts). The aggregate purchase price was \$47.0 million, including \$38.8 million of net cash payments, the issuance of \$0.3 million of notes payable, the assumption of \$1.6 million of liabilities and \$6.3 million of recorded earn-out payables. These acquisitions had estimated aggregate annualized revenues of \$20.4 million.

During the first nine months of 2008, we acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of 28 insurance intermediary operations, the stock of two insurance intermediaries and several books of business (customer accounts). The aggregate purchase price was \$233.9 million, including \$215.1 million of net cash payments, the issuance of \$5.2 million in notes payable and the assumption of \$13.6 million of liabilities. These acquisitions had estimated aggregate annualized revenues of \$95.3 million.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. We continually evaluate our estimates, which are based on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. These estimates form the basis for our judgments about the carrying values of our assets and liabilities, which values are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

We believe that of our significant accounting and reporting policies, the more critical policies include our accounting for revenue recognition, business acquisitions and purchase price allocations, intangible asset impairments and reserves for litigation. In particular, the accounting for these areas requires significant judgments to be made by management. Different assumptions in the application of these policies could result in material changes in our consolidated financial position or consolidated results of operations. Refer to Note 1 in the "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for details regarding our critical and significant accounting policies. In addition, refer to Note 4 in the "Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009, for a description of the new accounting rules governing business acquisitions.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008

The following discussion and analysis regarding results of operations and liquidity and capital resources should be considered in conjunction with the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes.

Financial information relating to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

				he three months d September 30,			For the nine months ended September 30,							
		2000			%		2000			%				
		2009		2008	Change		2009		2008	Change				
REVENUES	÷		<u>_</u>		(2, 2) 2 (	<u>_</u>		<u>_</u>		<b>a a a</b> (				
Commissions and fees	\$	232,595	\$	234,036	(0.6)%	\$	704,422	\$	684,640	2.9%				
Profit-sharing contingent commissions		10,421		9,730	7.1%		47,153		51,489	(8.4)%				
Investment income		10,421		1,228	(85.7)%		47,155 945		5,136	(81.6)%				
		575		2,035	. ,		1,195		4,199	. ,				
Other income, net		243,766			(71.1)%		753,715		745,464	(71.5)%				
Total revenues		243,700		247,029	(1.3)%		/53,/15		/45,464	1.1%				
EXPENSES														
Employee compensation and														
benefits		119,607		122,172	(2.1)%		369,573		363,873	1.6%				
Non-cash stock-based		115,007		122,172	(2.1)/0		565,575		505,075	1.070				
compensation		1,732		1,819	(4.8)%		5,243		5,563	(5.8)%				
Other operating expenses		35,523		36,405	(2.4)%		107,007		101,993	4.9%				
Amortization		12,468		12,281	1.5%		37,372		34,789	7.4%				
Depreciation		3,323		3,391	(2.0)%		9,955		9,929	0.3%				
Interest		3,622		3,867	(6.3)%		10,888		11,045	(1.4)%				
Total expenses		176,275		179,935	(2.0)%		540,038		527,192	2.4%				
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Income before income taxes		67,491		67,094	0.6%		213,677		218,272	(2.1)%				
Income taxes		26,530		26,501	0.1%		84,036		85,521	(1.7)%				
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NET INCOME	\$	40,961	\$	40,593	0.9%	\$	129,641	\$	132,751	(2.3)%				
Net internal growth rate – core														
commissions and fees		(5.2)%		(5.1)%			(4.1)%		(5.8)%					
Employee compensation and		(3.2)/0		(3.1)/0			(4.1)/0		(5.0)/0					
benefits ratio		49.1%		49.5%			49.0%		48.8%					
Other operating expenses ratio		45.170 14.6%		14.7%			14.2%		13.7%					
Other operating expenses ratio		14.070		14.7 /0			14.270		13.770					
Capital expenditures	\$	2,472	\$	2,921		\$	8,734	\$	11,115					
Total assets at September 30, 2009		,		,		-	,		,					
and 2008						\$	2,238,122	\$	2,107,301					

#### **Commissions and Fees**

Commissions and fees, including profit-sharing contingent commissions, for the third quarter of 2009 decreased \$0.8 million, or 0.3%, from the same period in 2008. Profit-sharing contingent commissions for the third quarter of 2009 increased \$0.7 million over the third quarter of 2008, to \$10.4 million. Core commissions and fees are our commissions and fees, less (i) profit-sharing contingent commissions and (ii) divested business (commissions and fees generated from offices, books of business or niches sold or terminated). Core commissions and fees revenue for the third quarter of 2009 decreased \$0.8 million. Factored into this \$0.8 million decrease are (i) approximately \$11.3 million of core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable operations in the same period of 2008, (ii) divested business of \$0.6 million, and (iii) \$12.1 million of net lost business, which was driven primarily by a combination of reduced insurable exposure units resulting from a slowing economy, as well as a continuation of declining insurance property rates, although declining at a slower rate than the previous quarter. This reflects a (5.2)% internal growth rate for core commissions and fees.

Commissions and fees, including profit-sharing contingent commissions, for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased \$15.5 million, or 2.1%, over the same period in 2008. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, profit-sharing contingent commissions decreased \$4.3 million from the comparable period in 2008, to \$47.2 million. Core commissions and fees revenue for the first nine months of 2009 increased \$23.9 million. Factored into this \$23.9 million increase are (i) approximately \$51.7 million of core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable operations in the same period of 2008, (ii) divested business of \$4.2 million, and (iii) \$27.8 million of net lost business, which was driven primarily by a combination of reduced insurable exposure units resulting from a slowing economy, as well as a continuation of declining insurance property rates, although declining at a slower rate than the comparable period in the prior year. This reflects a (4.1)% internal growth rate for core commissions and fees.

#### **Investment Income**

Investment income for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased \$1.1 million, or 85.7%, from the same period in 2008. Investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased \$4.2 million, or 81.6%, from the same period in 2008. These decreases are primarily due to substantially lower interest yields on short-term money-market investments.

#### Other Income, net

Other income for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased \$1.5 million, or 71.7%, from the same period in 2008. Other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased \$3.0 million, or 71.5%, from the same period in 2008. Other income consists primarily of gains and losses from the sale and disposition of assets. Although we are not in the business of selling customer accounts, we periodically will sell an office or a book of business (one or more customer accounts) that does not produce reasonable margins or demonstrate a potential for growth.

#### **Employee Compensation and Benefits**

Employee compensation and benefits for the third quarter of 2009 decreased \$2.6 million, or 2.1%, from the same period in 2008. Employee compensation and benefits as a percentage of total revenue decreased marginally to 49.1% for the third quarter of 2009, from 49.5% for the third quarter of 2008. Factored into the \$2.6 million decrease in employee compensation and benefits is a \$2.7 million increase related to acquisitions that resulted in standalone offices which had no comparable operations in the same period of 2008. Therefore, excluding the impact of these acquisitions of stand-alone offices, there was a net reduction of \$5.3 million in employee compensation and benefits in the offices that operated in both periods. The \$5.3 million of net reductions was primarily the result of less commissioned producer compensation of \$1.6 million, less salaries by \$2.4 million, and lower group health insurance cost of \$1.2 million.

Employee compensation and benefits for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased \$5.7 million, or 1.6%, over the same period in 2008. This increase is primarily related to the addition of new employees from acquisitions completed during 2008. Employee compensation and benefits as a percentage of total revenue increased to 49.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, from 48.8% for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Factored into the \$5.7 million increase in employee compensation and benefits is a \$17.7 million increase related to acquisitions that resulted in stand-alone offices which had no comparable operations in the same period of 2008. Therefore, excluding the impact of these acquisitions of stand-alone offices, there was a net reduction of \$12.0 million in employee compensation and benefits in the offices that operated in both periods. The \$12.0 million of net reductions was primarily the result of less commissioned producer compensation of \$4.4 million, less salaries of \$6.2 million, and lower group health insurance cost of \$1.9 million.

## Non-Cash Stock-Based Compensation

Non-cash stock-based compensation for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased approximately \$0.1 million, or 4.8% and \$0.3 million or 5.8%, from the same periods in 2008, respectively. For the entire year of 2009, we expect the total non-cash stock-based compensation expense to be slightly more than the total annual cost of \$7.3 million in 2008.

#### **Other Operating Expenses**

Other operating expenses for the third quarter of 2009 decreased \$0.9 million, or 2.4%, from the same period in 2008. Other operating expenses as a percentage of total revenue decreased to 14.6% for the third quarter of 2009, from 14.7% for the third quarter of 2008. Acquisitions since August 1, 2008 that resulted in stand-alone offices resulted in approximately \$0.7 million of increased other operating expenses. Therefore, there was a net reduction in other operating expenses of approximately \$1.6 million with respect to offices in existence in the third quarters of both 2009 and 2008. Of this decrease, \$0.5 million was the result of less T&E expenses, \$0.7 less bad debt expense, \$0.4 million less postage and supplies, while the remaining net costs were attributable to various other expense categories.

Other operating expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased \$5.0 million, or 4.9%, over the same period in 2008. Other operating expenses as a percentage of total revenue increased to 14.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, from 13.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Acquisitions since February 1, 2008 that resulted in stand-alone offices resulted in approximately \$4.6 million of increased other operating expenses. Therefore, there was a net increase in other operating expenses of approximately \$0.5 million with respect to offices in existence in the first nine months of both 2009 and 2008. Of this net increase, \$2.3 million was an increase in error and omission expenses and reserves, and litigation expenses but offset by \$1.8 million reduction in T&E expenses, while the remaining net cost increases were attributable to various other expense categories.

#### Amortization

Amortization expense for the third quarter of 2009 increased \$0.2 million, or 1.5%, over the third quarter of 2008. Amortization expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased \$2.6 million, or 7.4%, over the same period of 2008. These increases are primarily due to the amortization of additional intangible assets as the result of new acquisitions.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation expense for the third quarter of 2009 of \$3.3 million was essentially flat with the third quarter of 2008. Depreciation expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 of \$10.0 million was also essentially flat with the same period of 2008.

#### **Interest Expense**

Interest expense for the third quarter of 2009 decreased \$0.2 million, or 6.3%, from the same period in 2008. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, interest expense decreased \$0.2 million, or 1.4%, from the same period in 2008. This decrease is primarily due to less debt outstanding in 2009 as compared to 2008.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - SEGMENT INFORMATION**

As discussed in Note 13 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, we operate in four reportable segments: the Retail, Wholesale Brokerage, National Programs and Services Divisions. On a divisional basis, increases in amortization, depreciation and interest expenses are the result of acquisitions within a given division in a particular year. Likewise, other income in each division primarily reflects net gains on sales of customer accounts and fixed assets. As such, in evaluating the operational efficiency of a division, management places emphasis on the net internal growth rate of core commissions and fees revenue, the gradual improvement of the ratio of employee compensation and benefits to total revenues, and the gradual improvement of the percentage of other operating expenses to total revenues.

The internal growth rates for our core commissions and fees for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, by divisional units are as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

2009	 For the tl ended Se	 					
	2009	2008	Total Net Change	Total Net Growth %	Less Acquisition Revenues	Internal Net Growth \$	Internal Net Growth %
Florida Retail	\$ 35,008	\$ 40,025	\$ (5,017)	(12.5)%	\$ —	\$ (5,017)	(12.5)%
National Retail	80,962	77,217	3,745	4.8%	7,394	(3,649)	(4.7)%
Western Retail	26,279	26,774	(495)	(1.8)%	2,725	(3,220)	(12.0)%
Total Retail(1)	142,249	144,016	(1,767)	(1.2)%	10,119	(11,886)	(8.3)%
Wholesale Brokerage	34,809	36,491	(1,682)	(4.6)%	277	(1,959)	(5.4)%
Professional							
Programs	12,451	11,582	869	7.5%	—	869	7.5%
Special Programs	34,790	33,433	1,357	4.1%	892	465	1.4%
Total National Programs	47,241	45,015	2,226	4.9%	892	1,334	3.0%
Services	8,296	7,917	379	4.8%		379	4.8%
Total Core Commissions							
and Fees	\$ 232,595	\$ 233,439	\$ (844)	(0.4)%	\$ 11,288	\$ (12,132)	(5.2)%

(1) The Retail segment includes commissions and fees reported in the "Other" column of the Segment Information in Note 13 which includes corporate and consolidation items.

The reconciliation of the above internal growth schedule to the total Commissions and Fees included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

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	20	)9	2008
Total core commissions and fees	\$	232,595 \$	233,439
Profit-sharing contingent commissions		10,421	9,730
Divested business			597
Total commission and fees	\$	243,016 \$	243,766

2008		For the th ended Sep		-								
		2008		2007		Total Net Change	Total Net Growth %		Less Acquisition Revenues		Internal Net Growth \$	Internal Net Growth %
Florida Retail	\$	40,087	\$	39,088	\$	999	2.6%	\$	4,620	\$	(3,621)	(9.3)%
National Retail		77,172		60,958		16,214	26.6%		16,802		(588)	(1.0)%
Western Retail		27,293		23,752		3,541	14.9%		5,473		(1,932)	(8.1)%
Total Retail(1)		144,552		123,798		20,754	16.8%	_	26,895		(6,141)	(5.0)%
Wholesale Brokerage		36,491		39,328		(2,837)	(7.2)%		3,831		(6,668)	(17.0)%
Professional												
Programs		11,643		11,200		443	4.0%		-		443	4.0%
Special Programs		33,433		30,411		3,022	9.9%		210		2,812	9.2%
Total National												
Programs		45,076		41,611		3,465	8.3%	_	210		3,255	7.8%
Services		7,917		9,390		(1,473)	(15.7)%		-		(1,473)	(15.7)%
Total Core Commissions	<u> </u>	224.026	<u>_</u>	24445	¢	10.000	0.534	*	20.022	<i>*</i>	(11.00=)	
and Fees	\$	234,036	\$	214,127	\$	19,909	9.3%	\$	30,936	\$	(11,027)	(5.1)%

(1) The Retail segment includes commissions and fees reported in the "Other" column of the Segment Information in Note 13 which includes corporate and consolidation items.

The reconciliation of the above internal growth schedule to the total Commissions and Fees included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the three months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

	For the ended		
	2008		2007
Total core commissions and fees	\$ 234,0	36 \$	214,127
Profit-sharing contingent commissions	9,7	30	8,875
Divested business		_	2,419
Total commission and fees	\$ 243,7	6 \$	225,421

The internal growth rates for our core commissions and fees for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, by divisional units are as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

2009	 For the n ended Sej	 -						
	2009	2008	otal Net Change	Total Net Growth %		Less Acquisition Revenues	Internal Net Growth \$	Internal Net Growth %
Florida Retail	\$ 119,130	\$ 126,586	\$ (7,456)	(5.9)%	\$	6,203	\$ (13,659)	(10.8)%
National Retail	237,346	220,976	16,370	7.4%		28,182	(11,812)	(5.3)%
Western Retail	76,218	71,549	4,669	6.5%		14,758	(10,089)	(14.1)%
Total Retail(1)	432,694	419,111	13,583	3.2%	_	49,143	(35,560)	(8.5)%
Wholesale Brokerage	110,680	117,739	(7,059)	(6.0)%		1,359	(8,418)	(7.1)%
Professional								
Programs	32,554	31,162	1,392	4.5%			1,392	4.5%
Special Programs	103,854	88,645	15,209	17.2%		1,206	14,003	15.8%
Total National Programs	136,408	119,807	16,601	13.9%		1,206	15,395	12.8%
Services	24,640	23,832	808	3.4%	-		808	3.4%
Total Core Commissions								
and Fees	\$ 704,422	\$ 680,489	\$ 23,933	3.5%	\$	51,708	\$ (27,775)	(4.1)%

(1) The Retail segment includes commissions and fees reported in the "Other" column of the Segment Information in Note 13 which includes corporate and consolidation items.

The reconciliation of the above internal growth schedule to the total Commissions and Fees included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

		e nine months September 30,
	2009	2008
Total core commissions and fees	\$ 704,4	22 \$ 680,489
Profit-sharing contingent commissions	47,1	53 51,489
Divested business		— 4,151
Total commission and fees	\$ 751,5	75 \$ 736,129

2008	ended September 30,											
		2008		2007		Total Net Change	Total Net Growth %		Less Acquisition Revenues		Internal Net Growth \$	Internal Net Growth %
Florida Retail	\$	127,528	\$	133,837	\$	(6,309)	(4.7)%	\$	8,368	\$	(14,677)	(11.0)%
National Retail		221,777		176,506		45,271	25.6%		51,037		(5,766)	(3.3)%
Western Retail		73,585		70,076		3,509	5.0%		9,322		(5,813)	(8.3)%
Total Retail(1)		422,890		380,419		42,471	11.2%	_	68,727		(26,256)	(6.9)%
Wholesale Brokerage		117,892		121,964		(4,072)	(3.3)%		14,104		(18,176)	(14.9)%
Professional Programs		31,381		30,718		663	2.2%		-		663	2.2%
Special Programs		88,645		77,494		11,151	14.4%	_	488		10,663	13.8%
Total National Programs		120,026		108,212		11,814	10.9%		488		11,326	10.5%
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Services		23,832		27,528		(3,696)	(13.4)%		-		(3,696)	(13.4)%
Total Core Commissions and Fees	\$	684,640	\$	638,123	\$	46,517	7.3%	\$	83,319	\$	(36,802)	(5.8)%
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(1) The Retail segment includes commissions and fees reported in the "Other" column of the Segment Information in Note 13 which includes corporate and consolidation items.

The reconciliation of the above internal growth schedule to the total Commissions and Fees included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

	For the ended S	-	
	2008		2007
Total core commissions and fees	\$ 684,64	0\$	638,123
Profit-sharing contingent commissions	51,48	9	55,678
Divested business	-	_	7,655
Total commission and fees	\$ 736,12	9 \$	701,456

#### **Retail Division**

The Retail Division provides a broad range of insurance products and services to commercial, public and quasi-public, professional and individual insured customers. More than 96.1% of the Retail Division's commissions and fees revenues are commission-based. Since the majority of our operating expenses do not change as premiums fluctuate, we believe that most of any fluctuation in the commissions net of related compensation that we receive will be reflected in our pre-tax income.

Financial information relating to our Retail Division for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

		he three months 1 September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,					
	2009	2008	% Change		2009		2008	% Change	
REVENUES									
Commissions and fees	\$ 142,199	\$ 144,909	(1.9)%	\$	431,921	\$	422,599	2.2%	
Profit-sharing contingent commissions	2,198	1,795	22.5%		19,632		25,704	(23.6)%	
Investment income	2,150 69	129	(46.5)%		221		878	(74.8)%	
Other income (loss), net	337	(330)	(202.1)%		192		1,778	(89.2)%	
Total revenues	144,803	 146,503	(1.2)%		451,966		450,959	0.2%	
EXPENSES									
Employee compensation and									
benefits	72,045	73,604	(2.1)%		222,605		217,961	2.1%	
Non-cash stock-based									
compensation	1,164	900	29.3%		3,533		2,719	29.9%	
Other operating expenses	23,548	22,310	5.5%		73,342		68,725	6.7%	
Amortization	7,473	7,268	2.8%		22,448		19,943	12.6%	
Depreciation	1,506	1,559	(3.4)%		4,567		4,518	1.1%	
Interest	 7,703	 8,285	(7.0)%		24,214		21,864	10.7%	
Total expenses	 113,439	 113,926	(0.4)%		350,709		335,730	4.5%	
Income before income taxes	\$ 31,364	\$ 32,577	(3.7)%	\$	101,257	\$	115,229	(12.1)%	
Net internal growth rate – core commissions and fees Employee compensation and	(8.3)%	(5.0)%			(8.5)%		(6.9)%		
benefits ratio	49.8%	50.2%			49.3%		48.3%		
Other operating expenses ratio	16.3%	15.2%			16.2%		15.2%		
Capital expenditures Total assets at September 30, 2009	\$ 621	\$ 1,061		\$	2,722	\$	3,218		
and 2008				\$	1,754,160	\$	1,636,519		

The Retail Division's total revenues during the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 1.2%, or \$1.7 million, from the same period in 2008, to \$144.8 million. Profit-sharing contingent commissions for the third quarter of 2009 increased \$0.4 million, or 22.5%, over the third quarter of 2008. Of the \$2.7 million net decrease in commissions and fees, (i) an increase of approximately \$10.1 million related to the core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable revenues in the same period of 2008; (ii) a decrease of \$0.5 million related to commissions and fees recorded in the third quarter of 2008 from business divested during 2009; and (iii) the remaining net decrease of \$11.9 million is primarily due to net lost business. The Retail Division's internal growth rate for core commissions and fees was (8.3)% for the third quarter of 2009 and was driven primarily by a combination of reduced insurable exposure units resulting from a slowing economy, as well as a continuation of declining insurance property rates, although declining at a slower rate than the previous quarter.

Income before income taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 3.7%, or \$1.2 million from the same period in 2008, to \$31.4 million. This decrease is primarily due to the negative internal revenue growth of commissions and fees.

The Retail Division's total revenues during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased 0.2%, or \$1.0 million, to \$452.0 million. Profitsharing contingent commissions for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, decreased \$6.1 million, from the same period in 2008. Of the \$9.3 million net increase in commissions and fees, (i) an increase of approximately \$49.1 million related to the core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable revenues in the same period of 2008; (ii) a decrease of \$3.8 million related to commissions and fees recorded in the nine months ended September 30, 2008 from business divested during 2009; and (iii) the remaining net decrease of \$35.6 million is primarily due to net lost business in core commissions and fees. The Retail Division's internal growth rate for core commissions and fees was (8.5)% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and was driven primarily by a combination of reduced insurable exposure units resulting from a slowing economy, as well as a continuation of declining insurance property rates, although declining at a slower rate than the previous year.

Income before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 12.1%, or \$14.0 million, to \$101.3 million. This decrease is primarily due the negative internal revenue growth of commissions and fees, less profit-sharing contingent commission revenues, and less investment and other income, but partially offset by lower compensation and bonus expenses.

#### Wholesale Brokerage Division

The Wholesale Brokerage Division markets and sells excess and surplus commercial and personal lines insurance and reinsurance, primarily through independent agents and brokers. Like the Retail and National Programs Divisions, the Wholesale Brokerage Division's revenues are primarily commission-based.

Financial information relating to our Wholesale Brokerage Division for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

		 e three months September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,					
	2009	2008	% Change	2009		2008	% Change		
REVENUES		 							
Commissions and fees	\$ 34,809	\$ 36,491	(4.6)%	\$ 110,680	\$	117,892	(6.1)%		
Profit-sharing contingent									
commissions	8,130	7,833	3.8%	15,284		17,969	(14.9)%		
Investment income	9	399	(97.7)%	56		1,223	(95.4)%		
Other income, net	 128	 64	100.0%	 497		385	29.1%		
Total revenues	43,076	44,787	(3.8)%	126,517		137,469	(8.0)%		
EXPENSES									
Employee compensation and									
benefits	20,612	21,819	(5.5)%	62,077		67,358	(7.8)%		
Non-cash stock-based									
compensation	243	220	10.5%	744		617	20.6%		
Other operating expenses	8,429	9,603	(12.2)%	24,334		26,289	(7.4)%		
Amortization	2,562	2,613	(2.0)%	7,679		7,646	0.4%		
Depreciation	728	725	0.4%	2,164		2,169	(0.2)%		
Interest	3,483	4,443	(21.6)%	10,932		13,756	(20.5)%		
Total expenses	36,057	 39,423	(8.5)%	 107,930		117,835	(8.4)%		
Income before income taxes	\$ 7,019	\$ 5,364	30.9%	\$ 18,587	\$	19,634	(5.3)%		
Net internal growth rate – core commissions and fees Employee compensation and	(5.4)%	(17.0)%		(7.1)%		(14.9)%			
benefits ratio	47.9%	48.7%		49.1%		49.0%			
Other operating expenses ratio	19.6%	21.4%		19.2%		19.1%			
Capital expenditures Total assets at September 30, 2009	\$ 654	\$ 886		\$ 2,538	\$	4,148			
and 2008				\$ 618,801	\$	629,145			

The Wholesale Brokerage Division's total revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 3.8%, or \$1.7 million, from the same period in 2008, to \$43.1 million. Profit-sharing contingent commissions for the third quarter of 2009 increased \$0.3 million over the same quarter of 2008. Of the \$1.7 million net decrease in commissions and fees, (i) an increase of approximately \$0.3 million related to core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable revenues in the same period of 2008; and (ii) the remaining net decrease of \$2.0 million is primarily due to net lost business in core commissions and fees. As such, the Wholesale Brokerage Division's internal growth rate for core commissions and fees was (5.4)% for the third quarter of 2009. The majority of the net lost business was attributable to a \$1.0 million impact of primarily the decreasing property rates and reduced insurable exposure units in Florida, and a \$0.6 million impact of the slowing residential home-builders' market on one of our Wholesale Brokerage operations that focuses on that industry in the southwestern region of the United States.

Income before income taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2009 increased 30.9%, or \$1.7 million over the same period in 2008, to \$7.0 million, primarily due to the increased profit-sharing contingent commissions, a \$1.2 million reduction in employee compensation and a \$1.2 million reduction in other operating expenses.

The Wholesale Brokerage Division's total revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 8.0%, or \$11.0 million, to \$126.5 million from the same period in 2008. Profit-sharing contingent commissions for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased \$2.7 million from the same period in 2008. Of the \$7.2 million decrease in commissions and fees, (i) an increase of approximately \$1.4 million related to core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable revenues in the same period of 2008; (ii) a decrease of \$0.2 million related to commissions and fees recorded in the nine months ended September 30, 2008 from business divested during 2009; and (iii) the remaining net decrease of \$8.4 million is primarily due to net lost business in core commissions and fees. As such, the Wholesale Brokerage Division's internal growth rate for core commissions and fees was (7.1)% for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. The majority of the net lost business was attributable to a \$4.4 million impact of primarily the decreasing property rates and reduced insurable exposure units in Florida, and a \$2.7 million impact of the slowing residential home-builders' market on one of our Wholesale Brokerage operations that focuses on that industry in the southwestern region of the United States. Our Wholesale Brokerage operations in other parts of the country are being negatively affected by a combination of declining premium rates and increased competition from the standard lines carriers.

Income before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 5.3%, or \$1.0 million, to \$18.6 million from the same period in 2008, primarily due to net lost business and a decrease in profit-sharing contingent commissions. However, the revenue reduction was somewhat offset by \$5.3 million lower employee compensation and benefit cost and \$2.0 million in lower other operating costs.

#### **National Programs Division**

The National Programs Division is comprised of two units: Professional Programs, which provides professional liability and related package products for certain professionals delivered through nationwide networks of independent agents; and Special Programs, which markets targeted products and services designated for specific industries, trade groups, governmental entities and market niches. Like the Retail and Wholesale Brokerage Divisions, the National Programs Division's revenues are primarily commission-based.

Financial information relating to our National Programs Division for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

	For the three months ended September 30,					For the nine months ended September 30,					
		2009		2008	% Change	 2009		2008	% Change		
REVENUES											
Commissions and fees	\$	47,241	\$	45,076	4.8%	\$ 136,408	\$	120,026	13.6%		
Profit-sharing contingent commissions		93		102	(8.8)%	12,237		7,816	56.6%		
Investment income		93 1		77	(98.7)%	12,237		263	(98.9)%		
Other income (loss), net		8		(15)	(153.3)%	8		36	(77.8)%		
Total revenues		47,343		45,240	4.6%	 148,656		128,141	16.0%		
EXPENSES											
Employee compensation and											
benefits		18,319		17,678	3.6%	55,379		50,229	10.3%		
Non-cash stock-based		-,		,				, _			
compensation		259		198	30.8%	772		600	28.7%		
Other operating expenses		7,506		6,882	9.1%	20,821		20,015	4.0%		
Amortization		2,308		2,275	1.5%	6,870		6,825	0.7%		
Depreciation		706		695	1.6%	2,030		2,017	0.6%		
Interest		1,348		1,834	(26.5)%	 4,209		5,890	(28.5)%		
Total expenses		30,446		29,562	3.0%	90,081		85,576	5.3%		
Income before income taxes	\$	16,897	\$	15,678	7.8%	\$ 58,575	\$	42,565	37.6%		
Net internal growth rate – core commissions and fees Employee compensation and		3.0%		7.8%		12.8%		10.5%			
benefits ratio		38.7%		39.1%		37.3%		39.2%			
Other operating expenses ratio		15.9%		15.2%		14.0%		15.6%			
Capital expenditures Total assets at September	\$	1,045	\$	612		\$ 3,238	\$	1,980			
30, 2009 and 2008						\$ 697,402	\$	615,028			

Total revenues for National Programs for the three months ended September 30, 2009 increased 4.6%, or \$2.1 million, over the same period in 2008, to \$47.3 million. Profit-sharing contingent commissions for the third quarter of 2009 were flat compared to the third quarter of 2008. Of the \$2.2 million net increase in commissions and fees, (i) an increase of approximately \$0.9 million related to core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable revenues in the same period of 2008; and (ii) the remaining net increase of approximately \$1.3 million is primarily due to net new business. Therefore, the National Programs Division's internal growth rate for core commissions and fees was 3.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2009. The Professional Programs Unit within the National Programs Division had a 7.5% internal growth rate due to continued stabilizing professional liability rates. Additionally, the Special Programs Unit had a 1.4% internal growth rate, primarily due to approximately \$0.5 million of net new business generated by our Proctor Financial Services subsidiary.

Income before income taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2009 increased 7.8%, or \$1.2 million, over the same period in 2008, to \$16.9 million. This increase is primarily due to net new business.

Total revenues for National Programs for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased 16.0%, or \$20.5 million, to \$148.7 million. Profit-sharing contingent commissions for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased \$4.4 million over the same period in 2008. Of the \$16.4 million net increase in commissions and fees; (i) an increase of approximately \$1.2 million related to core commissions and fees from acquisitions that had no comparable revenues in the same period of 2008; (ii) a decrease of \$0.2 million related to commissions and fees recorded in the nine months ended September 30, 2008 from business divested during 2009; and (iii) the remaining net increase of approximately \$15.4 million is primarily due to net new business. Therefore, the National Programs Division's internal growth rate for core commissions and fees was 12.8%. The Professional Programs Unit within the National Programs Division had a 4.5% internal growth rate due to stabilizing professional liability rates. Additionally, the Special Programs Unit had a 15.8% internal growth rate, primarily due to (i) approximately \$14.3 million of net new business generated by our Proctor Financial Services subsidiary, most of which will be non-recurring; and (ii) approximately \$0.7 million net increase in core commissions and fees in our FIU subsidiary.

Income before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased 37.6%, or \$16.0 million, to \$58.6 million, over the same period in 2008. This increase is primarily due to net new business generated by our Proctor Financial Services subsidiary.

#### Services Division

The Services Division provides insurance-related services, including third-party claims administration and comprehensive medical utilization management services in both the workers' compensation and all-lines liability areas, as well as Medicare set-aside services. Unlike our other segments, approximately 98% of the Services Division's 2008 commissions and fees revenue is generated from fees, which are not significantly affected by fluctuations in general insurance premiums.

Financial information relating to our Services Division for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows (in thousands, except percentages):

		-	the three months ed September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,					
	 2009		2008	% Change		2009		2008	% Change	
<b>REVENUES</b> Commissions and fees Profit-sharing contingent	\$ 8,296	\$	7,917	4.8%	\$	24,640	\$	23,832	3.4%	
commissions Investment income	6		- 7	—% (14.3)%		 18		- 6	—% 200.0%	
Other income (loss), net Total revenues	 (2) 8,300		<u>(4)</u> 7,920	(50.0)% 4.8%		(3) 24,655		(7) 23,831	(57.1)% 3.5%	
EXPENSES Employee compensation and benefits	4,767		4,437	7.4%		14,221		13,474	5.5%	
Non-cash stock-based compensation	41		35	17.1%		123		105	17.1%	
Other operating expenses Amortization	1,289 115		1,270 115	1.5% —%		3,705 346		3,684 346	0.6% —%	
Depreciation Interest Total expenses	 75 155 6,442		97 193 6,147	(22.7)% (19.7)% 4.8%		263 514 19,172		317 559 18,485	(17.0)% (8.1)% 3.7%	
Income before income taxes	\$ 1,858	\$	1,773	4.8%	\$	5,483	\$	5,346	2.6%	
Net internal growth rate – core commissions and fees Employee compensation and	4.8%		(15.7)%			3.4%		(13.4)%		
benefits ratio Other operating expenses ratio	57.4% 15.5%		56.0% 16.0%			57.7% 15.0%		56.5% 15.5%		
Capital expenditures Total assets at September 30, 2009	\$ 33	\$	34		\$	120	\$	160		
and 2008					\$	46,396	\$	43,238		

The Services Division's total revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2009 increased 4.8%, or \$0.4 million, from the same period in 2008, to \$8.3 million. Core commissions and fees reflect an internal growth rate of 4.8% for the third quarter of 2009, primarily due to net new business.

Income before income taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2009 increased 4.8%, or \$0.1 million, from the same period in 2008 to \$1.9 million, primarily due to net new business.

The Services Division's total revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased 3.5%, or \$0.8 million, to \$24.7 million from the same period in 2008. Core commissions and fees reflect an internal growth rate of 3.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, primarily due to net new business.

Income before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 increased 2.6%, or \$0.1 million, to \$5.5 million from the same period in 2008 primarily due to net new business.

#### Other

As discussed in Note 13 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, the "Other" column in the Segment Information table includes any income and expenses not allocated to reportable segments, and corporate-related items, including the inter-company interest expense charged to the reporting segment.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our cash and cash equivalents of \$186.2 million at September 30, 2009 reflected an increase of \$107.7 million over the \$78.5 million balance at December 31, 2008. For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2009, \$189.3 million of cash was provided from operating activities. Also during this period, \$42.3 million of cash was used for acquisitions, \$8.7 million was used for additions to fixed assets, \$8.8 million was used for payments on long-term debt and \$31.9 million was used for payment of dividends.

Our ratio of current assets to current liabilities (the "current ratio") was 1.24 and 1.00 at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

#### **Contractual Cash Obligations**

As of September 30, 2009, our contractual cash obligations were as follows:

	Payments Due by Period									
			L	ess Than			After 5		After 5	
(in thousands)	Total		1 Year		1-3 Years		4-5 Years		Years	
Long-term debt	\$	262,051	\$	11,462	\$	100,589	\$	100,000	\$	50.000
Capital lease obligations		2		2				_		
Other long-term liabilities		16,898		9,225		5,678		763		1,232
Operating leases		92,472		26,171		36,478		17,923		11,900
Interest obligations		57,411		14,448		23,014		16,408		3,541
Unrecognized tax benefits		635		—		635				—
Maximum future acquisition contingency payments		182,966		67,933		114,684		349		
Total contractual cash obligations	\$	612,435	\$	129,241	\$	281,078	\$	135,443	\$	66,673

In 2004, we completed a private placement of \$200.0 million of unsecured senior notes (the "Notes"). The \$200.0 million is divided into two series: Series A, for \$100.0 million due in 2011 and bearing interest at 5.57% per year; and Series B, for \$100.0 million due in 2014 and bearing interest at 6.08% per year. The closing on the Series B Notes occurred on July 15, 2004. The closing on the Series A Notes occurred on September 15, 2004. Brown & Brown used the proceeds from the Notes for general corporate purposes, including acquisitions and repayment of existing debt. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 there was an outstanding balance of \$200.0 million on the Notes.

On December 22, 2006, we entered into a Master Shelf and Note Purchase Agreement (the "Master Agreement") with a national insurance company (the "Purchaser"). The Purchaser also purchased Notes issued by the Company in 2004. The Master Agreement provides for a \$200.0 million private uncommitted "shelf" facility for the issuance of senior unsecured notes over a three-year period, with interest rates that may be fixed or floating and with such maturity dates, not to exceed ten years, as the parties may determine. The Master Agreement includes various covenants, limitations and events of default similar to the Notes issued in 2004. The initial issuance of notes under the Master Agreement occurred on December 22, 2006, through the issuance of \$25.0 million in Series C Senior Notes due December 22, 2016, with a fixed interest rate of 5.66% per annum. On February 1, 2008 we issued \$25.0 million in Series D Senior Notes due January 15, 2015 with a fixed interest rate of 5.37% per annum. As of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 there was an outstanding balance of \$50.0 million under the Master Agreement. On September 30, 2009, the Company entered into a Letter Amendment to the Master Agreement (the "Amendment"). As a result of the Amendment, the expiration date of the period during which the Company may issue additional notes under the Master Agreement was extended to September 30, 2012. As consideration for the Amendment, the Company agreed to pay a renewal fee of \$50,000 to the Purchaser.

On June 12, 2008, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement") with a national banking institution that was dated as of June 3, 2008, amending and restating the existing Revolving Loan Agreement dated September 29, 2003, as amended (the "Revolving Agreement"), in order to increase the lending commitment to \$50.0 million (subject to potential increases up to \$100.0 million) and to extend the maturity date from December 20, 2011 to June 3, 2013. The Revolving Agreement initially provided for a revolving credit facility in the maximum principal amount of \$75.0 million. After a series of amendments that provided covenant exceptions for the notes issued or to be issued under the Master Agreement and relaxed or deleted certain other covenants, the maximum principal amount was reduced to \$20.0 million. The calculation of interest and fees is generally based on the Company's quarterly ratio of funded debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, and non-cash stock-based compensation. Interest is charged at a rate equal to 0.50% to 1.00% above the London Interbank Offering Rate ("LIBOR") or 1.00% below the base rate, each as more fully defined in the Loan Agreement. Fees include an upfront fee, an availability fee of 0.10% to 0.20%, and a letter of credit usage fee of 0.50% to 1.00%. The Loan Agreement contains various covenants, limitations, and events of default customary for similar facilities for similar borrowers. The 90-day LIBOR was 0.287% and 1.43% as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively. There were no borrowings against this facility at September 30, 2009 or December 31, 2008.

All three of these outstanding credit agreements require us to maintain certain financial ratios and comply with certain other covenants. We were in compliance with all such covenants as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

Neither we nor our subsidiaries has ever incurred off-balance sheet obligations through the use of, or investment in, off-balance sheet derivative financial instruments or structured finance or special purpose entities organized as corporations, partnerships or limited liability companies or trusts.

We believe that our existing cash, cash equivalents, short-term investment portfolio and funds generated from operations, together with our Master Agreement and Loan Agreement described above, will be sufficient to satisfy our normal liquidity needs through at least the next 12 months. Additionally, we believe that funds generated from future operations will be sufficient to satisfy our normal liquidity needs, including the required annual principal payments on our long-term debt.

Historically, much of our cash has been used for acquisitions. If additional acquisition opportunities should become available that exceed our current cash flow, we believe that given our relatively low debt-to-total-capitalization ratio, we might have the ability to raise additional capital through either the private or public debt or equity markets.

In addition, we currently have a shelf registration statement with the SEC registering the potential sale of an indeterminate amount of debt and equity securities in the future, from time to time, to augment our liquidity and capital resources.

#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk is the potential loss arising from adverse changes in market rates and prices, such as interest rates and equity prices. We are exposed to market risk through our investments, revolving credit line and term loan agreements.

Our invested assets are held as cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and investments, available-for-sale marketable equity securities, nonmarketable equity securities and certificates of deposit. These investments are subject to interest rate risk and equity price risk. The fair values of our cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and investments, and certificates of deposit at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 approximated their respective carrying values due to their short-term duration and therefore such market risk is not considered to be material.

We do not actively invest or trade in equity securities. In addition, we generally dispose of any significant equity securities received in conjunction with an acquisition shortly after the acquisition date.

#### **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

We carried out an evaluation (the "Evaluation") required by Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Exchange Act ("Disclosure Controls") as of September 30, 2009. Based on the Evaluation, our CEO and CFO concluded that the design and operation of our Disclosure Controls were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and (ii) accumulated and communicated to our senior management including our CEO and CFO, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

#### **Changes in Internal Controls**

There has not been any change in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the Evaluation that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2009 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Inherent Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management, including our CEO and CFO, does not expect that our Disclosure Controls and internal controls will prevent all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the control.

The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions; over time, a control may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

#### **CEO and CFO Certifications**

Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2 are the Certifications of the CEO and the CFO, respectively. The Certifications are supplied in accordance with Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Section 302 Certifications"). This Item 4 of this Report is the information concerning the Evaluation referred to in the Section 302 Certifications and this information should be read in conjunction with the Section 302 Certifications for a more complete understanding of the topics presented.

## PART II

#### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

In Item 3 of Part I of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its fiscal year ending December 31, 2008, certain information concerning certain legal proceedings and other matters was disclosed. Such information was current as of the date of filing. During the Company's fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2009, no new legal proceedings, or material developments with respect to existing legal proceedings, occurred which require disclosure in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

## **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

There were no material changes in the risk factors previously disclosed in Item 1A, "Risk Factors" included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

## **ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

The following exhibits are filed as a part of this Report:

- 3.1 Articles of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation (adopted April 24, 2003) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3a to Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003), and Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3a to Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1999).
- 3.2 Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3b to Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 10.1 Employment Agreement with J. Hyatt Brown, dated and effective as of July 1, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2009).
- 10.2 Registrant's Stock Performance Plan, as amended.
- 10.3 Letter Amendment, dated September 30, 2009, to the Master Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 from Form 8-K filed on October 5, 2009).
- 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification by the Chief Executive Officer of the Registrant.
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification by the Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant.
- 32.1 Section 1350 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer of the Registrant.
- 32.2 Section 1350 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant.
# SIGNATURE

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

BROWN & BROWN, INC.

/s/ CORY T. WALKER

Cory T. Walker

Sr. Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

(duly authorized officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer)

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Date: November 6, 2009

### BROWN & BROWN, INC. PERFORMANCE STOCK PLAN

### As Amended, Effective July 21, 2009

Brown & Brown, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, establishes this Performance Stock Plan for the purposes of attracting and retaining Key Employees, providing an incentive for Key Employees to achieve long-range performance goals, and enabling Key Employees to share in the successful performance of the stock of Brown & Brown, Inc., as measured against pre-established performance goals.

### **ARTICLE I - DEFINITIONS**

**1.01** Award Effective Date means, with respect to each share of Performance Stock, the date on which the award of the share of Performance Stock to a Key Employee is effective. An award of Performance Stock shall be effective (i) as of the date set by the Committee when the award is made or, (ii) if the award is made subject to one, or more than one, condition under Section 6.02 of this Plan, as of the date the Committee in its sole and absolute discretion determines that such condition or conditions have been satisfied.

**1.02 Board** means the Board of Directors of Brown & Brown, Inc.

**1.03** <u>Change in Control</u> means (i) the acquisition of the power to direct, or cause the direction of, the management and policies of the Company by a person not previously possessing such power, acting alone or in conjunction with others, whether through ownership of Stock, by contract or otherwise, or (ii) the acquisition, directly or indirectly, of the power to vote twenty percent or more of the outstanding Stock by a person or persons. For purposes of this Section 1.03, the term "person" means a natural person, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, government or instrumentality of a government. Also for purposes of this Section 1.03, customary agreements with or among underwriters and selling group members with respect to a bona fide public offering of Stock shall be disregarded.

**1.04** <u>**Code**</u> means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**1.05 Committee** means the Compensation Committee of the Board or, if the Compensation Committee at any time has less than three members, a committee that shall have at least three members, each of whom shall be appointed by and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board.

**1.06 <u>Company</u>** means Brown & Brown, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida.

**1.07** <u>**Disability**</u> means a physical or mental condition of a Key Employee resulting from bodily injury, disease or mental disorder that renders him or her incapable of engaging in any occupation or employment for wage or profit. Disability does not include any physical or mental condition resulting from the Key Employee's engagement in a felonious act, self-infliction of an injury, or performance of military service. Disability of a Key Employee shall be determined by a licensed physician selected by the Committee in its sole and absolute discretion.

**1.08** Key Employee means a full time, salaried employee of the Company who, in the judgment of the Committee acting in its sole and absolute discretion, is a key to the successful operation of the Company.

**1.09 Performance Stock** means Stock awarded to a Key Employee under this Plan.

**1.10 Performance Stock Agreement** means the written agreement between the Company and a Key Employee to whom an award of Performance Stock is made under this Plan.

**1.11 Plan** means this Brown & Brown, Inc. Performance Stock Plan.

**1.12 Stock** means the common stock, \$0.10 par value, of the Company.

**1.13** <u>**Year of Vesting Service**</u> means, with respect to each share of Performance Stock, a twelve consecutive month period measured from the grant date of the Performance Stock and each successive twelve consecutive month period measured from each anniversary of such grant date for that share of Performance Stock.

### **ARTICLE II - ELIGIBILITY**

Only Key Employees shall be eligible to receive awards of Performance Stock under this Plan. The Committee, in its sole and absolute discretion, shall determine the Key Employees to whom Performance Stock shall be awarded. A member of the Committee is not eligible to receive grants of Performance Stock during the period he or she serves on the Committee.

# ARTICLE III - STOCK AVAILABLE FOR AWARDS

The Company shall reserve 7,200,000 shares of Stock for use under this Plan. All such shares of Stock shall be reserved to the extent that the Company deems appropriate from authorized but unissued shares of Stock and from shares of Stock that have been reacquired by the Company. Furthermore, any shares of Performance Stock that are forfeited under Section 6.03 of this Plan shall again become available for use under this Plan.

# **ARTICLE IV - EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Plan shall be effective on the date it is adopted by the Board, subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Company within twelve months after the date of adoption of this Plan by the Board. Any Performance Stock awarded under this Plan before the date of such shareholder approval shall be awarded expressly subject to such approval.

#### **ARTICLE V - ADMINISTRATION**

This Plan shall be administered by the Committee. The Committee, acting in its sole and absolute discretion, shall exercise such powers and take such action as expressly called for under this Plan. Furthermore, the Committee shall have the power to interpret this Plan and to take such other action in the administration and operation of this Plan as the Committee deems equitable under the circumstances, which action shall be binding on the Company with respect to each affected Key Employee and each other person directly or indirectly affected by such action. Nothing in this Article V shall affect or impair the Board's power to take the actions reserved to it in this Plan.

### **ARTICLE VI - PERFORMANCE STOCK AWARDS**

**6.01 Committee Action**. The Committee shall have the right to award shares of Performance Stock to Key Employees under this Plan. Each award of Performance Stock shall be evidenced by a Performance Stock Agreement, and each Performance Stock Agreement shall set forth the conditions, under which the award will be effective and the conditions under which the Key Employee's interest in the Performance Stock shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable.

**6.02 Conditions for Awards**. The Committee shall make the award of Performance Stock to Key Employees effective only upon the satisfaction of one, or more than one, objective performance targets. The Committee shall determine the performance targets which will be applied with respect to each grant of Performance Stock at the time of award, but in no event later than ninety (90) days after the commencement of the period of service to which the performance targets relate. The performance criteria applicable to Performance Stock awards will be one or more of the following criteria:

- (1) Stock price;
- (2) average annual growth in earnings per share;
- (3) increase in shareholder value;
- (4) earnings per share;
- (5) net income;
- (6) return on assets;
- (7) return on shareholders' equity;
- (8) increase in cash flow;
- (9) operating profit or operating margins;
- (10) revenue growth of the Company; and
- (11) operating expenses.



The related Performance Stock Agreement shall set forth each such target and the deadline for satisfying each such target. The Committee must certify in writing that each such target has been satisfied before the award of Performance Stock becomes effective. The shares of Stock underlying an award of Performance Stock shall be unavailable under Article III of this Plan as of the date on which such award is made. If an award of Performance Stock fails to become effective under Section 6.01 of this Plan, the underlying shares of Stock subject to such award shall be treated under Article III of this Plan as of the date of such failure to become effective. No more than 20,000 shares of Performance Stock may be granted to a Key Employee in any calendar year.

#### 6.03 <u>Conditions for Nonforfeitability of Performance Stock</u>.

(a) Subject to the provisions of Article IX of this Plan, and except as otherwise provided in this Section 6.03, a Key Employee's interest in the shares of Performance Stock awarded to him or her shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable upon the satisfaction of any conditions for the grant specified by the Committee pursuant to Section 6.02 and upon the Key Employee's completion of fifteen Years of Vesting Service (or such greater number of Years of Vesting Service as may be set by the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Company. Subject to the provisions of Article IX of this Plan, if the Key Employee's employment with the Company terminates before his or her completion of fifteen Years of Vesting Service (or such greater number of Years of Vesting Service as may be set by the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Company, the Key Employee's interest in the awarded shares of Performance Stock shall be forfeited unless:

- (1) the Key Employee has attained age sixty-four;
- (2) the Key Employee's employment with the Company terminates as a result of his or her death or Disability; or
- (3) the Committee, in its sole and absolute discretion, waives the conditions described in this Section 6.03.

(b) If the Key Employee attains age sixty-four prior to his or her completion of fifteen Years of Vesting Service (or such greater number of Years of Vesting Service as may be set by the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Company, the Key Employee's interest in the awarded shares of Performance Stock shall become vested and nonforfeitable at the rate of one-fifteenth (or, if the Committee sets a number of required Years of Vesting Service greater than fifteen, at the rate expressed by a fraction in which the numerator is one and the denominator is such greater number of Years of Vesting Service) of the awarded shares of Performance Stock for each Year of Vesting Service the Key Employee completes for the Company until the earlier to occur of (1) the Key Employee's completion of fifteen Years of Vesting Service (or such greater number of Years of Vesting Service as may be set by the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Company, or (2) the termination of the Key Employee's employment with the Company, provided that any conditions for the award of such shares, or portion thereof, specified by the Committee pursuant to Section 6.02 have been satisfied.

(c) If a grant of Performance Stock is made to the Key Employee after he or she attains age sixty-four, but before his or her employment with the Company terminates, the Key Employee's interest in the granted shares of Performance Stock shall become vested and nonforfeitable upon satisfaction of any conditions for the award of such shares, or portion thereof, specified by the Committee pursuant to Section 6.02, at the rate of one-fifteenth (or, if the Committee sets a number of required Years of Vesting Service greater than fifteen, at the rate expressed by a fraction in which the numerator is one and the denominator is such greater number of Years of Vesting Service) of the awarded shares of Performance Stock for each Year of Vesting Service the Key Employee completes for the Company until the earlier to occur of (1) the Key Employee's completion of fifteen Years of Vesting Service (or such greater number of Years of Years of Vesting Service as may be set by the Committee in establishing the terms of the grant at the grant date) for the Company, or (2) the termination of the Key Employee's employment with the Company.

(d) The Key Employee's interest in the shares of Performance Stock granted to the Key Employee and with respect to which any conditions for the award of such shares specified by the Committee pursuant to Section 6.02 have been satisfied, will become fully vested and nonforfeitable upon the termination of the Key Employee's employment with the Company as a result of his or her death or Disability."

**6.04 Dividends and Voting Rights**. If a cash dividend is declared on a share of Performance Stock after the Award Effective Date, but before the Key Employee's interest in the Performance Stock is forfeited or becomes fully vested and nonforfeitable, the Company shall pay the cash dividend directly to the Key Employee. If a Stock dividend is declared on a share of Performance Stock after the Award Effective Date, but before the Key Employee's interest in the Performance Stock is forfeited or becomes fully vested and nonforfeitable, the Stock dividend shall be treated as part of the award of the related Performance Stock, and the Key Employee's interest in such Stock dividend shall be forfeited or become nonforfeitable at the same time as the Performance Stock with respect to which the Stock dividend was paid is forfeited or becomes nonforfeitable. The disposition of each other form of dividend which is declared on a share of Performance Stock shall be made in accordance with such rules as the Committee shall adopt with respect to each such dividend.

A Key Employee shall be allowed to exercise voting rights with respect to a share of Performance Stock after the Award Effective Date, but before the Key Employee's interest in the Performance Stock is forfeited or becomes fully vested and nonforfeitable.

6.05 <u>Satisfaction of Nonforfeitability Conditions; Provision for Income and Excise Taxes</u>. A share of Stock shall cease to be Performance Stock at such time as a Key Employee's interest in such share of Stock becomes fully vested and nonforfeitable under Section 6.03 or Article IX of this Plan, and the certificate representing such share of Stock shall be transferred to the Key Employee as soon as practicable thereafter.

# **ARTICLE VII - SECURITIES REGISTRATION**

Each Performance Stock Agreement shall provide that, upon the receipt of shares of Stock as a result of the satisfaction of the conditions described in Section 6.03 of this Plan for nonforfeitability of Performance Stock, the Key Employee shall, if so requested by the Company, hold such shares of Stock for investment and not with a view of resale or distribution to the public and, if so requested by the Company, shall deliver to the Company a written statement signed by the Key Employee satisfactory to the Company to that effect. With respect to Stock issued pursuant to this Plan, the Company at its expense shall take such action as it deems necessary or appropriate to register the original issuance of such Stock to a Key Employee under the Securities laws or to qualify such Stock for an exemption under any such laws prior to the issuance of such Stock to a Key Employee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have no obligation whatsoever to take any such action in connection with the transfer, resale or other disposition of such Stock by a Key Employee.

### ARTICLE VIII - ADJUSTMENT

The Board, in its sole and absolute discretion, may, but shall not be required to, adjust the number of shares of Stock reserved under Article III of this Plan, the annual grant limit set forth in Section 6.02 of this Plan (to the extent permitted by the rules relating to the qualified performance-based compensation exemption from the limit on tax deductibility of compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")), and shares of Performance Stock theretofore granted in an equitable manner to reflect any change in the capitalization of the Company, including, but not limited to, such changes as Stock dividends or Stock splits. If any adjustment under this Article VIII would create a fractional share of Stock, such fractional share shall be disregarded and the number of shares of Stock reserved or granted under this Plan shall be the next lower number of shares of Stock, rounding all fractions downward. An adjustment made under this Article VIII by the Board shall be conclusive and binding on all affected persons and, further, shall not constitute an increase in the number of shares reserved under Article III within the meaning of Article X(a) of this Plan.

## ARTICLE IX - SALE OR MERGER OF COMPANY; CHANGE IN CONTROL

**9.01** Sale or Merger. If the Company agrees to sell all or substantially all of its assets for cash or property or for a combination of cash and property or agrees to any merger, consolidation, reorganization, division or other corporate transaction in which Stock is converted into another security or into the right to receive securities or property and such agreement does not provide for the assumption or substitution of Performance Stock granted under this Plan, all shares of Performance Stock shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable.

**9.02 Change in Control.** In the event of a Change in Control, the Board thereafter shall have the right to take such action with respect to any shares of Performance Stock that are forfeitable, or all such shares of Performance Stock, as the Board in its sole and absolute discretion deems appropriate under the circumstances to protect the interests of the Company in maintaining the integrity of the awards under this Plan. Furthermore, the Board shall have the right to take different action under this Section 9.02 with respect to different Key Employees or different groups of Key Employees, as the Board in its sole and absolute discretion deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article IX, all shares of Performance Stock shall become fully vested and nonforfeitable in the event of (i) any tender or exchange offer for Stock accepted by a majority of the shareholders of the Company; or (ii) the death of J. Hyatt Brown and the subsequent sale by his estate, his wife, his parents, his lineal descendants, any trust created for his benefit during his lifetime, or any combination of the foregoing, of the Stock owned by J. Hyatt Brown prior to his death. If any shares of Performance Stock become fully vested and nonforfeitable because of the occurrence of the events described in (i) or (ii) of this paragraph, the Company shall pay to the holders of such shares, within 60 days of the occurrence of such event, the full amount of any federal and state income tax liability incurred by such holder as a result of such vesting, including, without limitation, any excise tax with respect to such vesting (e.g., I.R.C. § 4999 and any successor provision). The Company will also pay to such holders the amount of any tax liability with respect to the "gross-up" payment described in the preceding sentence.

### **ARTICLE X - AMENDMENT OR TERMINATION**

This Plan may be amended by the Board from time to time to the extent that the Board in its sole and absolute discretion deems necessary or appropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no amendment of this Plan shall be made absent the approval of the shareholders of the Company if the effect of the amendment is:

- (a) to increase the number of shares of Stock reserved under Article III of this Plan;
- (b) to change the class of employees of the Company eligible for awards of Performance Stock or to otherwise materially modify the requirements as to eligibility for participation in this Plan; or
- (c) to modify the material terms of this Plan that must be approved by shareholders of the Company under the rules relating to the qualified performance-based compensation exemption from the limit on tax deductibility of compensation under Section 162(m) of the Code.

The Board in its sole and absolute discretion may suspend the awarding of Performance Stock under this Plan at any time and may terminate this Plan at any time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board shall not have the right to modify, amend or cancel any share of Performance Stock granted before such suspension or termination unless the Key Employee to whom the Performance Stock is awarded consents in writing to such modification, amendment or cancellation, or there is a dissolution or liquidation of the Company or a transaction described in Article VIII or IX of this Plan.

#### ARTICLE XI - TERM OF PLAN

No Performance Stock shall be awarded under this Plan on or after the earlier of:

- (a) the twentieth anniversary of the effective date of this Plan, as determined under Article IV of this Plan, in which event this Plan otherwise thereafter shall continue in effect until all Performance Stock awarded under this Plan has been forfeited or the conditions described in Section 6.03 of this Plan for nonforfeitability of all Performance Stock awarded under this Plan have been completely satisfied; or
- (b) the date on which all of the Stock reserved under Article III of this Plan has, as a result of the satisfaction of the conditions described in Section 6.03 of this Plan for nonforfeitability of Performance Stock awarded under this Plan, been issued or no longer is available for use under this Plan, in which event this Plan also shall terminate on such date.

# **ARTICLE XII - MISCELLANEOUS**

**12.01** Shareholder Rights. Subject to Section 6.04 of this Plan, a Key Employee's rights as a shareholder in the shares of Performance Stock awarded to him or her shall be set forth in the related Performance Stock Agreement.

**12.02 No Contract of Employment.** The award of Performance Stock to a Key Employee under this Plan shall not constitute a contract of employment and shall not confer on a Key Employee any rights upon his or her termination of employment with the Company in addition to those rights, if any, expressly set forth in the Performance Stock Agreement related to his or her Performance Stock.

**12.03** Withholding. The acceptance of an award of Performance Stock shall constitute a Key Employee's full and complete consent to whatever action the Committee deems necessary to satisfy the federal and state tax withholding requirements, if any, that the Committee in its sole and absolute discretion deems applicable to such Performance Stock. The Committee also shall have the right to provide in a Performance Stock Agreement that a Key Employee may elect to satisfy federal and state tax withholding requirements through a reduction in the number of shares of Stock actually transferred to him or her under this Plan.

**<u>12.04</u> <u>Governing Law</u>**. The provisions of this Plan shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

Approved by the Board of Directors: October 31, 1995

Approved by Shareholders: April 30, 1996

As amended, effective February 27, 1998; April 29, 1998; August 23, 2000; January 24, 2001; November 21, 2001; April 24, 2003; March 17, 2005 (by Board; approved by Shareholders April 21, 2005); January 23, 2008; April 30, 2008; July 21, 2009.

### EXHIBIT 31.1

## Certification by the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, J. Powell Brown, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report of Brown & Brown, Inc. (the "Registrant") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 6, 2009

/s/ J. Powell Brown J. Powell Brown Chief Executive Officer

### EXHIBIT 31.2

## Certification by the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Cory T. Walker, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report of Brown & Brown, Inc. (the "Registrant") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) Disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 6, 2009

/s/ Cory T. Walker Cory T. Walker Chief Financial Officer

## EXHIBIT 32.1

## Certification Pursuant to Section 1350 of Title 18 of the United States Code, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Brown & Brown, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Form 10-Q"), I, J. Powell Brown, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Form 10-Q fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15U.S.C. § 78m or § 78o(d)); and

(2) The information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 6, 2009

/s/ J. Powell Brown J. Powell Brown Chief Executive Officer

## EXHIBIT 32.2

## Certification Pursuant to Section 1350 of Title 18 of the United States Code, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Brown & Brown, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Form 10-Q"), I, Cory T. Walker, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Form 10-Q fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15U.S.C. § 78m or § 78o(d)); and

(2) The information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 6, 2009

/s/ Cory T. Walker Cory T. Walker Chief Financial Officer