

# Advantage CNA Actuarial Transformation



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#### Overview

- · Background on CNA
- · Core Functions Engaged
- Two Improvements
  - Renewal rate change calculation and distribution
  - Role alignment of information management functions and partnerships



#### Overview of CNA

- · One of the largest commercial lines carriers in the U.S.
  - Listed on the NYSE with a market capitalization of \$11.5b1
  - \$6.8b of property & casualty net written premium in 2013
  - Established market presence with more than 115-year history
- Business mix is approximately 45% specialty lines, 55% commercial lines
  - Serves insurance needs of over 1 million businesses and professionals across a range of industries
- · Broad-based footprint in chosen geographies
  - Offices throughout North America and Europe, as well as the Middle East and Asia
  - Long-standing relationships with over 3,000 U.S. brokers and agents
- · Consistent operating performance and a high degree of financial stability
- · Upward ratings momentum

	Moody's	S&P	Fitch	A.M. Bes
CNA P&C:				
Financial Strength Rating	A3	Α	Α	Α
Outlook	Stable	Stable	Stable	Stable
CNAF Senior Debt	Baa2	BBB	BBB	bbb
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of February 11, 2014 <sup>2</sup> Moody's upgraded the debt rating

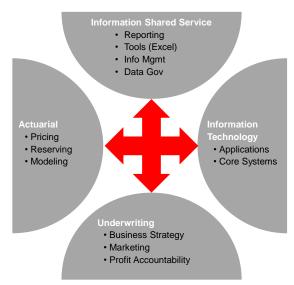


## **Customer Segment Focus**



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## Key Functions Involved in Transformation





#### Renewal Rate Change

- Core metric to measure the change in rate premium charged per exposure to loss from the expiring to the renewing policy
- · Exposure to loss aspect varies considerably by line of insurance
  - Property: Total Insured Value
  - Workers' Compensation: Payroll
  - Commercial Auto: Power Units
  - Professional Liability: Revenue
- Other factors which should be taken into consideration
  - Limits / Deductibles
  - Handling of new coverages, locations, subjects of insurance added at renewal
  - Changes in underlying exposures (vehicle aging, sprinkler additions, etc.)

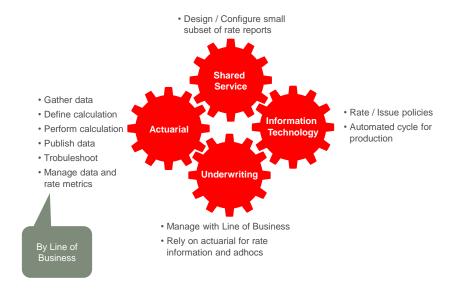


## Renewal Rate Change - Pre Transformation

- Heavy actuarial involvement in calculation, data management, storage of results, and distribution of results through excel based reports
- · Results not centrally collected at detail level across actuaries
- Material alignment in approach for renewal rate calculation, but opportunity for improvement in standardization
- Timing differences for when results are available across actuaries / lines of business
- In some lines of business a desire by actuaries to improve renewal rate calculation, but inability to get data for such improvement



#### Renewal Rate Change - Pre Transformation



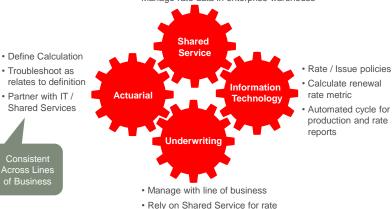


### Renewal Rate Change - Post Transformation

- Renewal rate change calculated as part of policy issuance processes
- · Standard definition and approach implemented
- Reduction of over 80% of actuarial time on renewal rate calculation, associated data management, and reporting through automation
- Detailed results centrally aggregated for more power analytics and actionability of information
- Consistent timing of information availability and fully integrated with production, retention, and other core metrics for management

### Renewal Rate Change - Post Transformation

- · Design / Configuration rate reports
- Troubleshoot
- Handle UW adhocs
- · Manage rate data in enterprise warehouse



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#### Renewal Rate Change – Transformation Approach

information and adhocs

- Sponsorship of Chief Actuary, Information Shared Services Leader, Chief Information Officer, and Chief Financial Officer
  - Driving change in underlying process of Actuarial, IT, and Shared Services required the appropriate executive sponsorship and engagement throughout effort
- · Clarity of work, outcome, and accountabilities
  - Full inventory of existing calculations
  - Go forward decision makers
  - Standardized definition for renewal rate change
  - Timelines for execution
  - Go-forward operational model
- · Consistent cadence of status reporting
  - Weekly for core project team
  - Monthly for executive sponsorship

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### Renewal Rate Change – Transformation Approach

#### · Alignment to strategy

 Need to evaluate across Customer Segments establishes and supports need to centralize data for metric

#### · Openness to new ideas

- Calculation of rate change within internal IT processes following actuarial rules, but 'hands off' was new way of thinking
- Balance between progress and perfection

#### · Transition from Project to Day to Day

 Project established definition, initial work effort, but integrated and changed day-to-day behaviors, teaming, partnership, contract points



## Role Alignment

- Actuarial expertise is highly analytical, valued, and specialized and is applicable to solving complex high business value functions, but is applied also to data management, reporting, and tool building
- Data Management, reporting, and tool building are separate and distinct skill sets from actuarial pricing, reserving, and modeling
- Partnership, transformation, and simplification can yield improvements in cost of operations, quality of information and tools, and usability of tools and information

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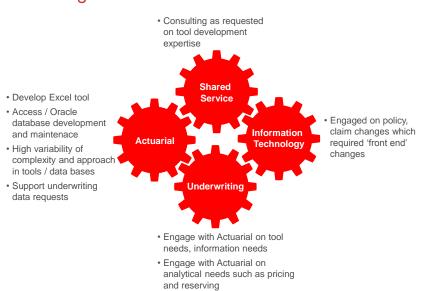


#### Role Alignment - Pre Transformation

- · Main focus is information and tool building activities:
  - Information Reporting where there is formatting, simple calculations, and segmentation of data, but no analytical results
  - Excel tool building for rating and analytical approaches
  - Access database and Oracle database management of information
- Across Actuarial over 100 separate examples of reports, tools, data bases being maintained by actuarial experts ranging from actuarial entry level to associates and fellows
- Lack of clarity across Information Technology, Shared Services, and Actuarial on how to effectively partner

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## Role Alignment - Pre Transformation



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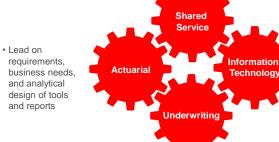
### Role Alignment - Post Transformation

- Deep partnership across Actuarial, Underwriting, Information Technology, and Shared Services
- · Actuarial focus on analytical and less on information management
- Over 100 reports, tools, databases transitioned from actuarial support and development to shared services
- Development of new complex tools which could not have been built without partnership
- One example is report which required one full actuarial resource to produce and distribute via Excel on a quarterly basis to automated monthly distribution

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## Role Alignment - Post Transformation

- · Lead tool developer
- · Consistency across tools and databases



- · Engaged on policy, claim changes which required 'front end' changes
- Engaged on proof of concept and office based tools

- requirements, business needs, and analytical design of tools and reports
- · Engage with Actuarial, Shared Service and IT on tool needs, information needs
- · Engage with Actuarial on analytical needs such as pricing and reserving



#### Role - Transformation Approach

- Sponsorship of Chief Actuary, Information Shared Services Leader
  - Driving change in underlying process of Actuarial and Shared Services required the appropriate executive sponsorship and engagement throughout effort
- · Clarity of work, outcome, and accountabilities
  - Full inventory of existing tools, reports
  - Go forward decision makers
  - Go forward operating model
- · Consistent cadence of status reporting
  - Weekly for core project team
  - Monthly for executive sponsorship
  - Engagement of underwriting as leaders in the operating model at all stages



## Role - Transformation Approach

- Inventory and New Development
  - Existing reports / tools transitioned
  - New reports / tools developed to test operating model
- Dedication to Operating Model
  - Communication of role changes at all hands, staff meetings,
  - Case studies utilized
  - Leadership engagement
  - Recognition of teams which partnered well across organizations