EXAM 6 – UNITED STATES, FALL 2018

18. (3.5 points)

Given the following information as of December 31, 2017, for an insurance company that only writes Workers' Compensation policies (all dollar figures are in millions):

Total adjusted capital	\$200
Policyholders' surplus	\$250
RO	\$30
R1	\$60
R2	\$50
R3	\$70
R4	\$150
RBC charge factor for R5	19%
IRIS ratio 1	1100%
IRIS ratio 2	250%

The company does not have any loss sensitive contracts.

a. (1.75 points)

Calculate the 2017 RBC ratio for this company.

b. (0.75 point)

Based on part a. above, identify the RBC action level for this company, and briefly describe the required actions of both the regulator and the company under the RBC Model Act.

c. (1 point)

Based on IRIS ratios 1 and 2 for this company, fully describe one reason why a regulator may be concerned about the financial health of this company.

SAMPLE ANSWERS AND EXAMINER'S REPORT

- Observing a fact from the information given but declining to explain why that issue represents Reserve Risk.
- Interpreting the decrease in Reserves as evidence that the company was over-reserved or adequately reserved (note that reserves <u>should</u> decrease over time as claims are paid, what matters is whether the ultimate is stable).

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TOTAL POINT VALUE: 3.5 LEARNING OBJECTIVE: C2

SAMPLE ANSWERS

Part a: 1.75 points

Sample 1

RBC Ratio = Total Adjusted Capital / ACL

ACL = RBC * 0.5

 $RBC = R_0 + (R_1^2 + R_2^2 + R_3^2 + R_4^2 + R_5^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

R₅ = 0.19 * Net Written Premium

Iris Ratio 2 = NWP / PHS

2.5 = NWP / 250

NWP = 625

 $R_5 = 0.19*625 = 118.75$

RBC = $30 + (60^2 + 50^2 + 70^2 + 150^2 + 118.75^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 248.18$

ACL = 0.5 * 248.18 = 124.08

RBC Ratio = 200 / 124.08 = 161.2%

Part b: 0.75 point

Company Action Level

Regulator Action – no action at this time

Company Action – submit plan to commissioner on how company will raise capital or reduce risk

Part c: 1 point

Iris Ratio 1 > 900% which is in the unusual range.

Iris Ratio 2 < 300% which is in the normal range.

This means the company is over-reliant on reinsurance. The regulator may be concerned about reinsurance collectability/credit risk.

EXAMINER'S REPORT

Candidates are expected to know the RBC and Iris Ratio formulas and RBC action levels.

Part a

Candidates were expected to know the RBC and Iris ratio formulas. Candidates were expected to know that R_5 uses Net Written Premium and that the Total Adjusted Capital is used to calculate the RBC Ratio.

SAMPLE ANSWERS AND EXAMINER'S REPORT

Common errors include:

- Using something other than Net Written Premium to calculate R₅
- Using Policyholder's Surplus to calculate the RBC ratio
- Omitting the 50% in the RBC ratio (using the RBC and not the ACL).

Part b

Candidates were expected to know the action levels that correspond to the appropriate RBC ratio from part a and the actions associated with this level for both the company and the regulator.

Common errors include:

- identifying the wrong action level
- Misstating the name of the action level
- Omitting any comments on the actions required by the regulator

Part c

Candidates were expected to know the usual range of both Iris Ratios 1 & 2 and know why a regulator would be concerned with these specific values, one of which is unusual.

Common errors include:

- Identifying over-reliance on reinsurance without commenting on the usual values of Iris
 ratios or not commenting on why a regulator would be concerned with over reliance on
 reinsurance (i.e. collectability).
- Identifying concerns that correspond to other Iris ratios (e.g. rapid growth, surplus aid, reserve risk).

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TOTAL POINT VALUE: 3.5	LEARNING OBJECTIVE: C3	
SAMPLE ANSWERS		
Part a: 0.5 point		

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- Investors
- Creditors
- Company
- Board of directors
- Investors in the company
- Company management
- Company's Management Team
- Investor from other industry
- Financial analysts (wall street)
- Stakeholders
- Stakeholders in the company
- Shareholders
- Firms looking to invest in publicly traded companies