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SUNCORP OUTLINES GENERAL INSURANCE GROWTH TARGET

KEY POINTS

- 3% improvement in underlying general insurance margin over the next two years.
- Building Blocks program to provide one view of insurance pricing and claims, as well as Group customers, employees and finances.
- Program to deliver \$235 million in annual benefits.

Suncorp's general insurance business will improve its underlying margin (ITR) by at least 3% over the next two years, group chief executive Patrick Snowball said today.

Mr Snowball outlined the target at an investor day which detailed how Suncorp would realise the potential of its general insurance business, which accounts for the majority of the Group's profits on a normalised basis.

He also said the improvement in the underlying insurance margin would be underpinned by the Group's Building Blocks program – five key projects providing one view of insurance pricing and claims, as well as the Group's customers, employees and finances – which will deliver \$235 million in annual benefits by June 2013.

Project costs of \$120 million will be absorbed within the existing cost base by cutting discretionary spending and redirecting other capital expenditure.

Mr Snowball said that, as was the case at a Group level, Suncorp's general insurance business would benefit from simplification of its structure and systems.

"Our insurance business holds a clear advantage over competitors because of its scale; its industry leading suite of brands; and the fact that we have end to end control of our own manufacturing, pricing and distribution channels," he said.

"Our move to a functional model and a single view of pricing and claims will ensure the general insurance business leverages scale advantages across all of its brands and unlocks the potential in functional capability that has not been realised to date."

Personal insurance

The implementation of a single pricing engine and claims model will be the primary driver of the personal insurance business' contribution to the improvement in underlying general insurance margins.

Mark Milliner, personal insurance chief executive, said the strategy was to move from a portfolio of separate businesses to a single functional model.

"One pricing system and one pricing team gives us a consistent view across the portfolio and minimises conflicts between brands, which will help lift yield on new and renewal policies," Mr Milliner said.



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"A single claims model will reduce repair costs and times and optimise our purchasing systems but, more valuably, it will allow our brands to share knowledge and resources when and where it matters most."

Mr Milliner said Suncorp's 'one team, many brands' strategy in the personal insurance business maximised product differentiation and market penetration. This allowed Suncorp to target multiple customer segments simultaneously and provided it with the scale and a strategic defence against new market entrants, including online competitors.

"Importantly, we have already commenced rolling out the strategy across the business," he said.

Commercial insurance

The commercial insurance business is targeting market share growth, particularly in the SME segment, which will contribute to the improvement in underlying margins across general insurance.

Commercial insurance chief executive Anthony Day said an expanding SME market was an area where Suncorp is well positioned to grow profitably.

"Our suite of brands – Vero, AAMI and GIO – all offer different value propositions that allow us to cater for a wide range of SME customer preferences," he said.

"This is a large and growing market and we've concentrated on our online business to business capabilities with some strong results."

Mr Day said the commercial insurance business would also benefit from many of the same initiatives that personal insurance was implementing, including simplified structures that reduced duplication and contained expenses; leveraging the Group's scale in pricing, risk selection and procurement; and using technology to significantly improve claims and customer experiences.

Vero New Zealand

Chief executive of Vero New Zealand Roger Bell said his business planned to double sustainable net profit after tax by June 2013.

"Vero New Zealand can achieve this target organically by extending our specialist focussed business model and integrated portfolio management system, as well as significantly growing our business through the relationship with ANZ National," Mr Bell said.

Group chief financial officer update

New group chief financial officer John Nesbitt was introduced to the market and outlined his priorities in the lead up to Suncorp's full year results announcement on 25 August 2010.



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These were to renegotiate reinsurance arrangements for the 2010/11 financial year, and to review capital targets across the Group in the context of risk appetites, global and domestic regulatory developments.

Mr Nesbitt said the process of capital reallocation was already well advanced through the divestment of non-strategic assets, and realigning legal and organisational structures within the Group.

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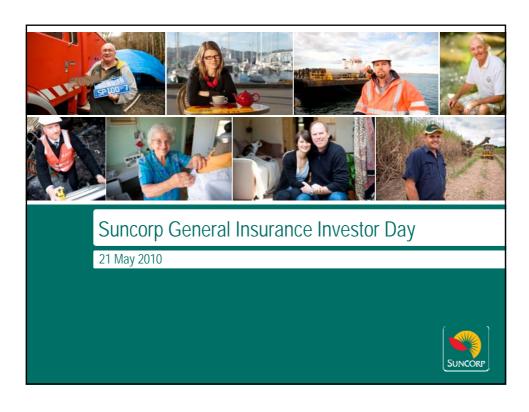
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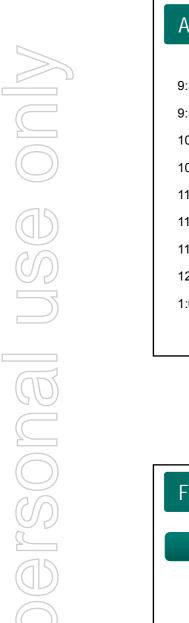
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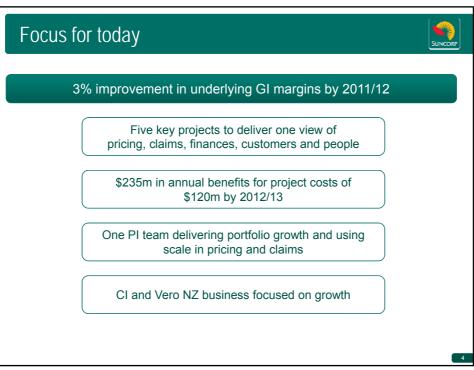
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Patrick Snowball Group Chief Executive Officer

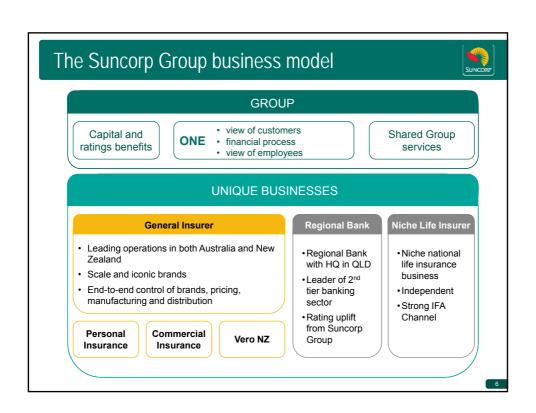


Agenda 9:30am Introduction & Overview Patrick Snowball 9:50am Chief Financial Officer John Nesbitt 10:00am Personal Insurance Mark Milliner 10:30am Morning Tea 11:00am Commercial Insurance Anthony Day Roger Bell New Zealand 11:30pm 11:45pm Conclusion Patrick Snowball 12:00pm Questions 1:00pm Lunch

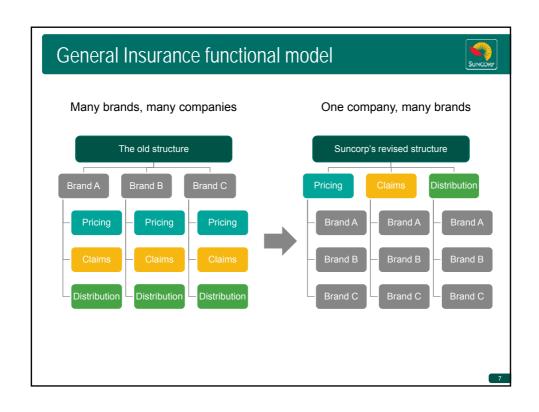


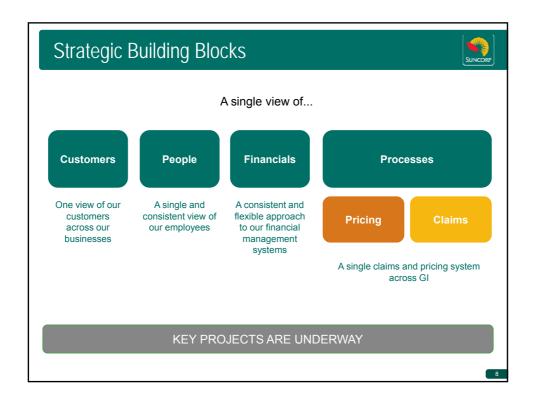


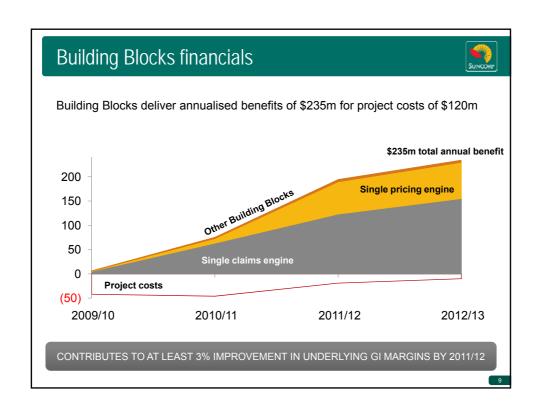
Credibility, Confidence, Culture Recap of the journey to date: • Phase 1: Getting to know the business (Sept 09 to Oct 09) Phase 2: Laying the foundations of our strategy (Nov 09 to Feb 10) **Phase 3**: Setting direction for our five operating divisions (Mar $10 \rightarrow$) **IMMEDIATE NEEDS CHALLENGES** Stabilise the business Restore credibility Strengthen balance sheet Rebuild confidence and capital Change the culture Appoint new executive team **ONE** COMPANY, **MANY** BRANDS

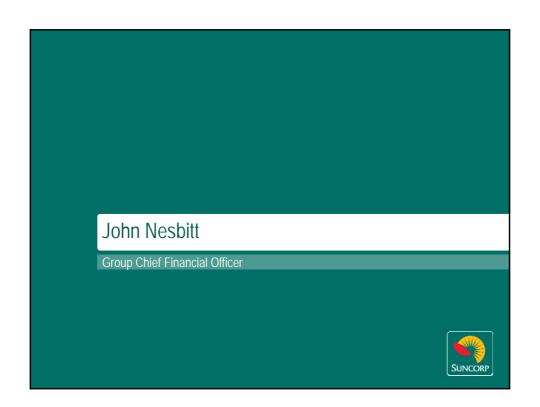












Initial observations



- · Focus on the future
- Turnaround opportunity
- Energetic, passionate Executive Team
- · Structural simplification
- · Strong capital position
- · Building Blocks for improved shareholder returns

Reshaping finance Deputy CFO CFO PI CFO CI CFO Vero NZ Performance Management **CFO Banking** Dotted line to Business CFO's **CFO Life Corporate Strategy** Strategic finance function **Group Corporate Affairs** CIO mandate with portfolio General Counsel Embed strong finance Corporate Secretary culture into the BU's

Key focus for the near term



- 1. Capital
- Transparency improved
- Review targets
- NOHC
- 2. Reinsurance
- Around \$190m of capacity remaining in the aggregate program for 2009/10
- 2010/11 negotiations underway
- 3. Non-strategic assets
- Motor club JV valuations completed by early June 2010
- 4. Single finance system

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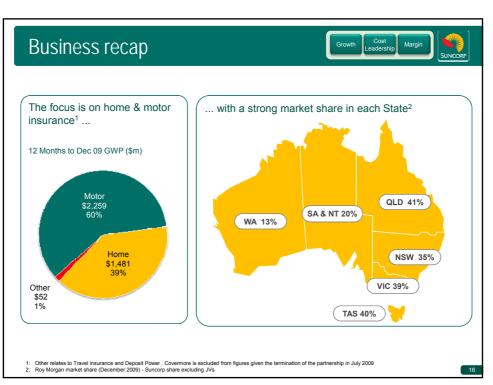
Mark Milliner

Chief Executive Officer, Personal Insurance

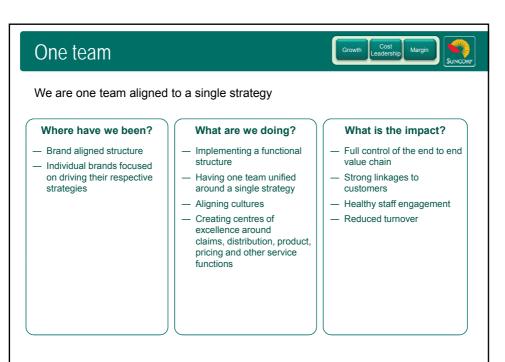


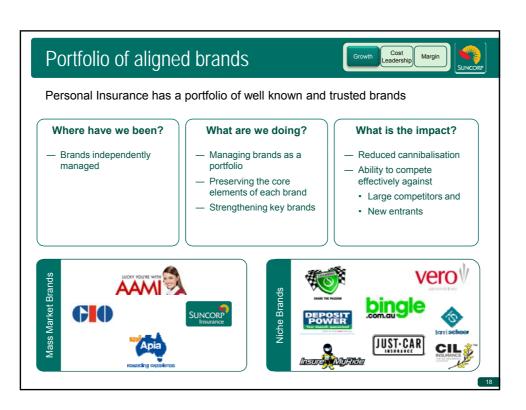


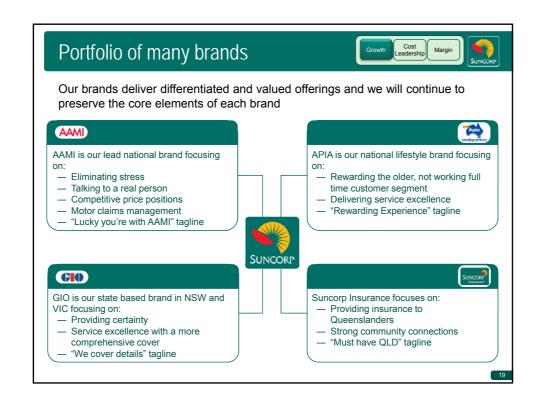
The journey we are taking Growth Cost Margin PI's strategy will be delivered by one team focused on margin improvement through cost leadership and the management of a portfolio of aligned brands Cost Cost leadership that delivers margin improvement: Leadership — One team aligned to a single strategy One Team. - Selectively growing our portfolio of brands **Many Brands** One - Leverage sophisticated pricing capabilities by moving to **Pricing Approach** one single pricing engine and simplifying pricing processes - Leverage our scale to drive industry leading cost control **Claims Model** and service Contribute to an improvement of at least 3% Margin in the underlying margin across GI by 2011/12 15

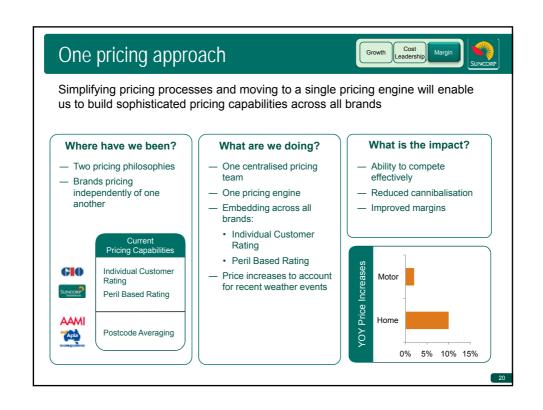






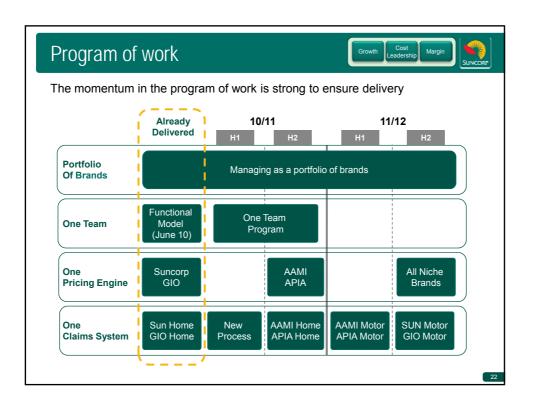


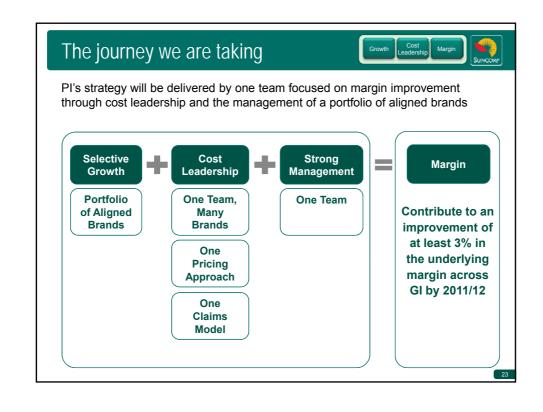


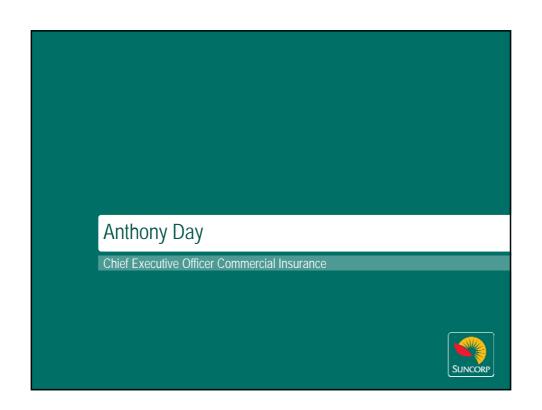




One claims model Growth Cost Leadership Margin Leveraging Personal Insurance's scale in claims across the Group will drive industry leading cost control and service Where have we been? What are we doing? What is the impact? - Four claims systems One claims team - Utilising best practices in One claims system claims — Different processes and capabilities across brands (Guidewire) Improved customer service Specialist repair One claims process Improved margins technology and techniques Utilising repairers More efficient response to utilised in the Suncorp employing specialist repair catastrophic events Insurance and AAMI technology and techniques brands across all brands Pooling of purchasing across GI

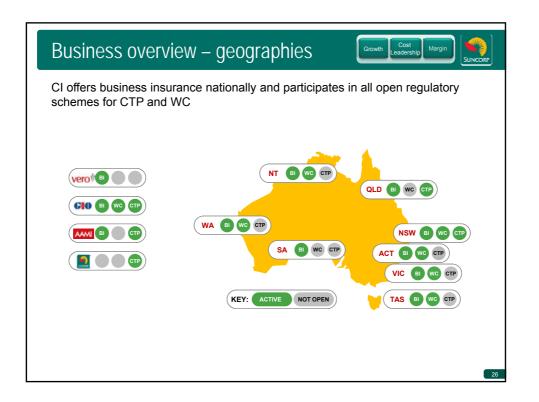


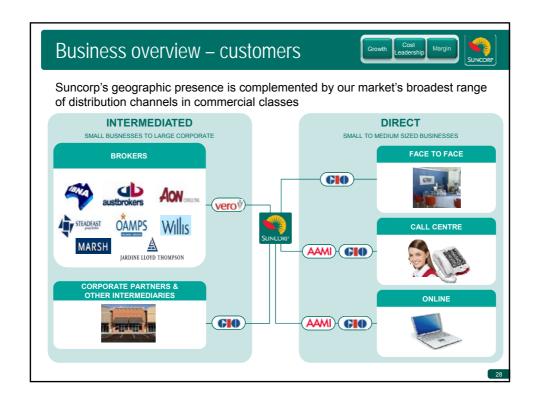


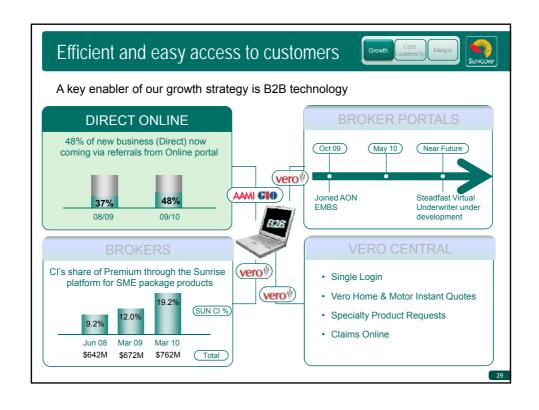


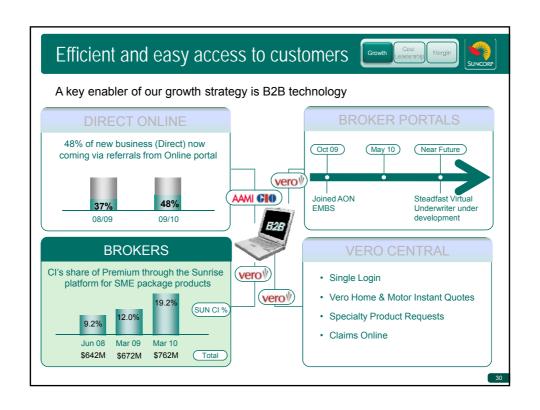


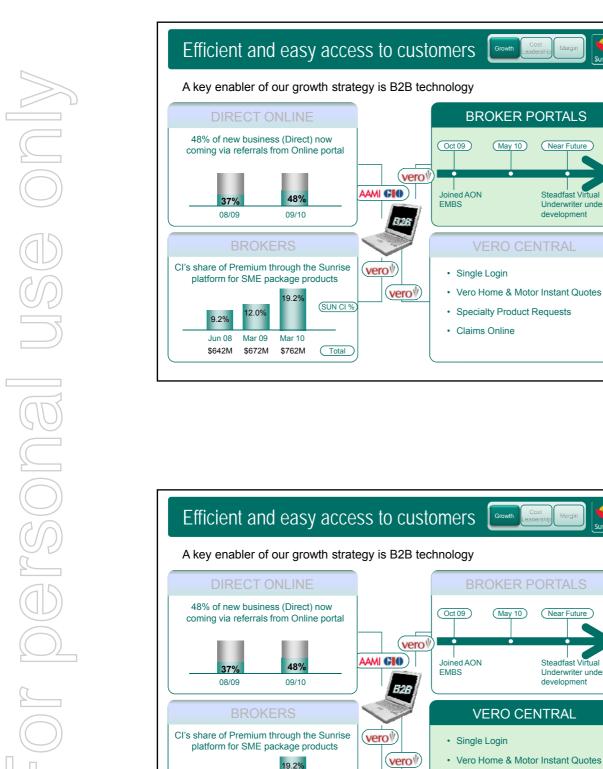


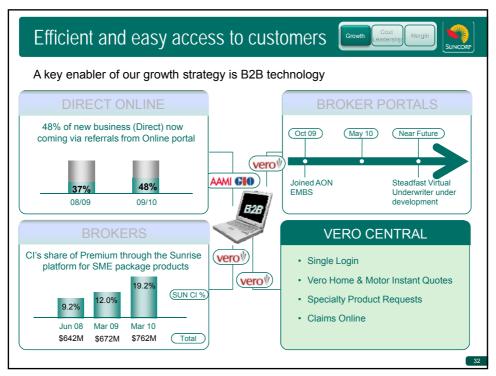








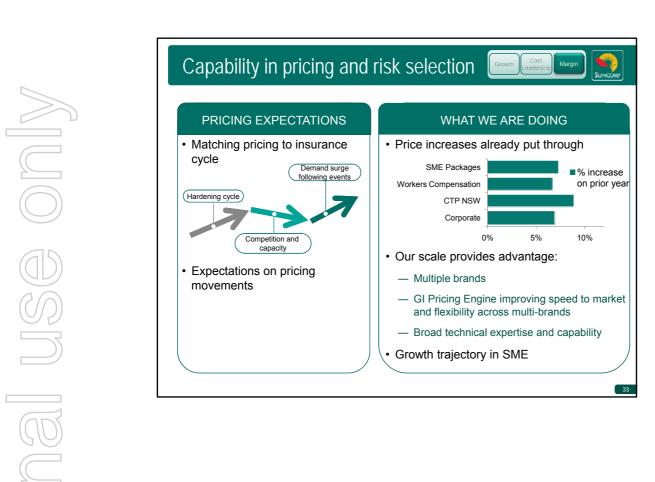




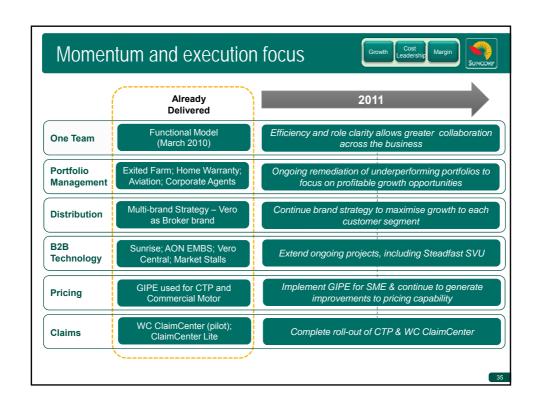
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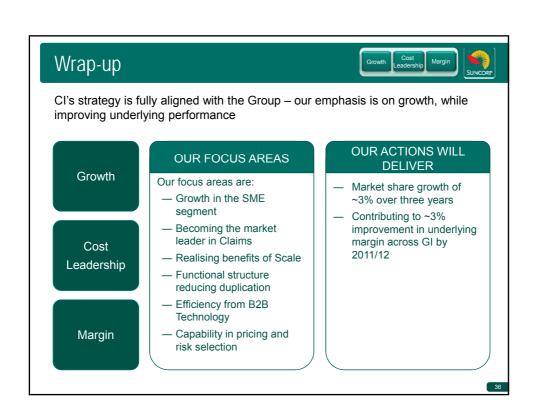
Underwriter under development

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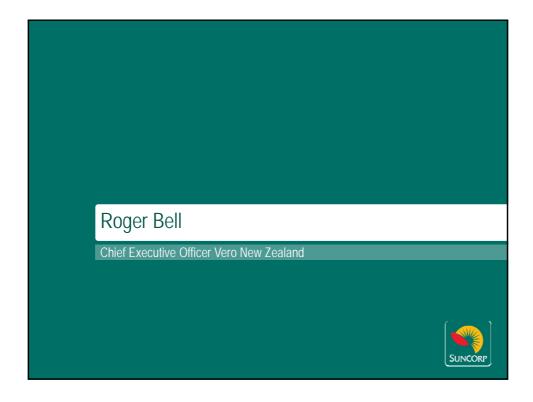


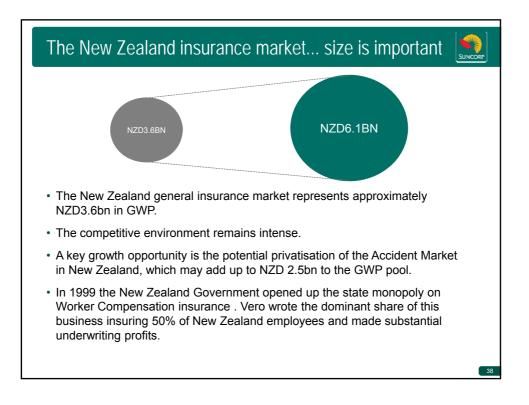














Market share in New Zealand



Suncorp is the second largest General Insurer in New Zealand with a market share of 24%

INTERMEDIATED



- 20% Share of Total Market
- Number 1 or number 2 in the majority of classes

DIRECT



- 4% Share of Total Market
- 3rd largest direct player

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Our brand stands for achievement



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About us

- · Writer of all major classes of business
- 16 consecutive years of Underwriting Profit
- Insurer Of The Year 2002,2003,2004,2006 and 2009
- Top 5 Best Places To Work in each of the last 5 years
- Accredited with World Class Status under Malcolm Baldrige Performance Excellence Criteria after 10 year journey
- 68% majority ownership of AA Insurance the fastest growing direct writer in New Zealand



Delivering our future



- Optimisation
 - -Build on current momentum
 - -Proven ability to deploy
 - -Organic achievement
- Expertise
 - -Stability
 - -Bench strength
 - -Competence, capability, capacity
- Distribution
 - -Plan A ... AON, AMP, ANZN, AAI ...brokers, advisers, bank, direct

CONTRIBUTES TO THE 3% UPLIFT IN UNDERLYING ITR FOR THE GROUP

The accident market... a NZ\$2.5bn opportunity **WORK ACCOUNT** Covers all work related injuries. Funded NZ\$750m from levies paid by employers and self employed people **EARNERS' ACCOUNT** Covers non work injuries to earners. NZ\$1,400m Funded from earners levies (paid through PAYE) plus self employed levies based on MOTOR ACCOUNT Covers all personal injuries involving NZ\$350m motor vehicles on public roads. Funded from petrol excise duty and a levy collected with the vehicle licensing fee lumbers are an approximation using 2009 actuals ,known agreed levy increases, and assume age roll growth ,extrapolated to when it is assumed the scheme would be open to competition 42

Suncorp New Zealand



- Contribute to the 3% uplift in underlying ITR for the Group
- This will be achieved organically with no significant additional investment
- If the Accident Market opens up we will be a leading player
- The potential to double the Group's scale and profit footprint in NZ

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Patrick Snowball

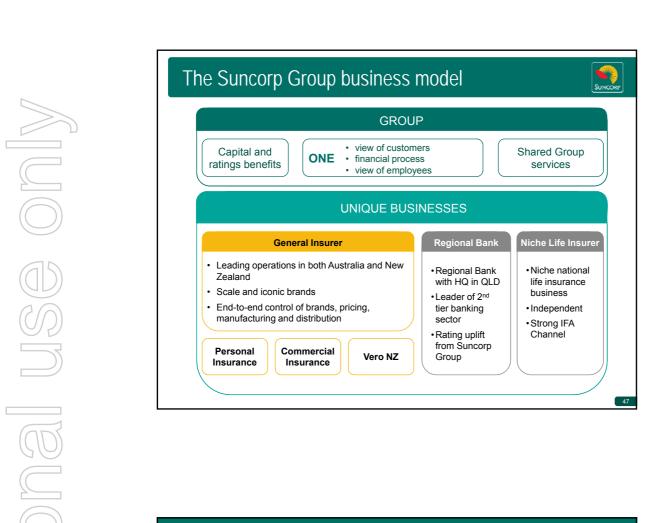
Chief Executive Officer





Focus for today 3% improvement in underlying GI margins by 2011/12 Five key projects to deliver one view of pricing, claims, finances, customers and people \$235m in annual benefits for project costs of \$120m by 2012/13 One PI team delivering portfolio growth and using scale in pricing and claims CI and Vero NZ business focused on growth

Questions?



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