

What are the Issues?

- How good are your estimates (mean, std. dev., etc.)?
- When will you know if your estimate is good?
- How do you compare actual outcomes to your estimate?
 How far apart and still reasonable?
- Can you manage reserve risk:
 - Without measuring it first?
 - If the assumptions are not consistent over time?
- Will retrospective testing improve your processes?
- Are the inevitable deviations from the expectations understood?
 - Is there a difference between predicting & explaining?
- What metrics are useful for management?
- Should we integrate reserving into ERM?
 - Analysis of change, risk capital, earnings, etc.

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Drivers of Change

- International Accounting Standards (IFRS)
 - Building Block, Risk Adjustment, Disclosure
- Solvency II
 - Quantification, Validation, Governance
- NAIC Model Audit Rule
 - Internal Data, Process, Reporting Validation
- Own Risk Solvency Assessment (ORSA)
 - Model Act Fall, 2012 ⇒ Effective 1/1/15

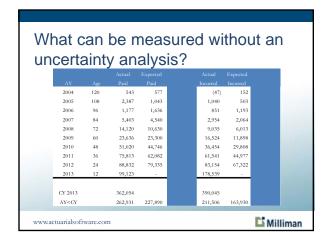
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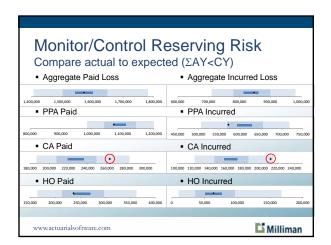
Integrated ERM Framework Conduct deterministic analysis to get a best estimate (BE) or central estimate Conduct stochastic modeling of unpaid claim liabilities Multiple models weighted to address model risk Set threshold for action based on deviation from expected Strategic allocation of actuarial talent during high pressure season Automatically notify key personnel of unusual values at an early stage of the reserving process Facilitate prompt investigation of potential data inaccuracies Make changes to the assumption set as needed, maintaining consistency of approach

Back Testing				
Goal: Compare actual (A) to expected (E)				
Deriving E requires assumption consistency				
Assess materiality of difference (A - E)				
Expected (distributional) vs. Actual (one observation)				
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■ Caveats: 1,400,000 1,500,000 1,700,000 1,800,000				
 Model assumptions require validation and should address model risk 				
 Does not address AY=CY. New exposures have been earned! 				
 Works well for gross but net (or R/I recoveries) requires more effort 				
May need to "shift" mean of resulting distribution to replicate BE				
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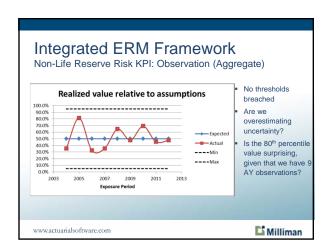


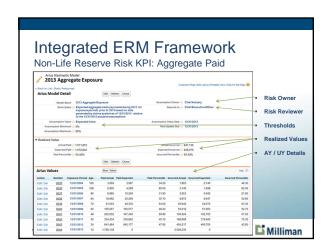
Imagine the following... The date is 2 January 2014 Complete loss data is available as of 31 December 2013 Company A writes 3 homogenous lines of business (CA, PPA, and HO), with triangular data going back to Accident Year 2004 (source: SNL Financial) Company A performs a full review of unpaid claim liabilities annually, including an uncertainty analysis using multiple models to address model risk

Imagine the following... Company A has an integrated risk management framework, including reserving risk Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), based on the realization of paid (and incurred) loss relative to outcomes of their models and pre-defined thresholds Management would like to receive the actuary's best estimate as of 31 December 2013 by 23 January 2014 (3 weeks)

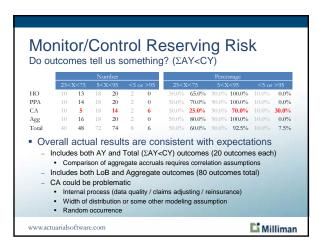




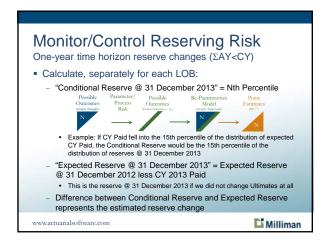




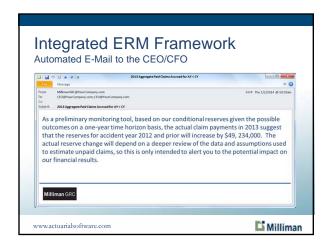




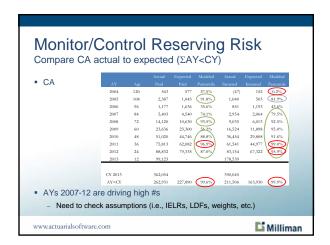
Monitor/Control Reserving Risk One-year time horizon reserve changes (ΣΑΥ<CΥ) ■ Given the actual losses paid in CY 2013, we can obtain a preliminary estimate of the amount by which reserves for AY 2012 and prior (or AY<CY) will change — All the necessary information is contained within the prior deterministic analysis and uncertainty analysis (does not require an update with new data) — Provides an early warning of impact on financial results — Provides a measure of the performance of the actuarial function

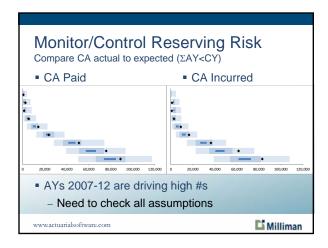


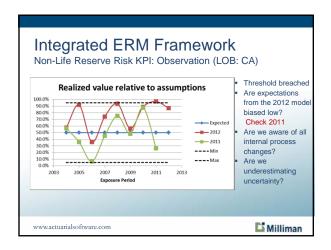


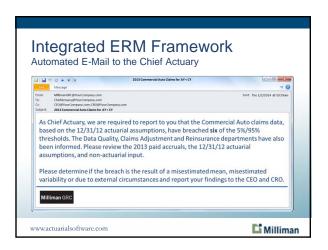


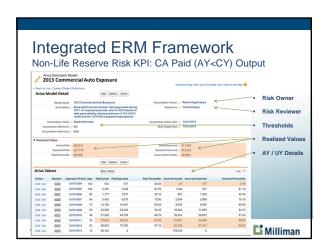




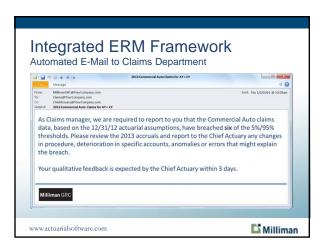


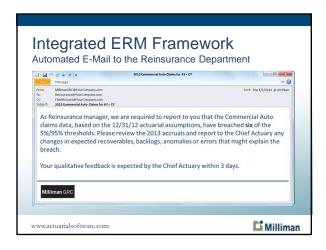














Validation as of 31 December 2012

Assumptions: Each requiring validation

- Long term average LDFs
 - No validated reason to use shorter term averages (e.g., WA of last 5)
 - In this example, model is 100% consistent with calculation of BE
 - If deterministic analysis uses a "picker approach" (to reflect observable trends), need to validate each "pick" and consider shifting output of stochastic uncertainty model.
- Accident year independence
- IELRs used in the BF Method
- Heteroecthesious data (i.e., non-uniform exposures)
 - We use symmetrical triangles (e.g., AY x AY)
 - Exposures are complete (not at interim valuation date) and have not significantly changed over time (e.g., no rapid growth)

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Validation as of 31 December 2012

Assumptions: Each requiring validation

- Heteroscedasticity
 - Residuals assumed to be identically distributed with a mean of zero
 - Residuals by development period more variable than others?
- Gamma used for Process Variance
- Coefficient of Variation of the IELRs used in BF Method
- Weighting of methods

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