

Statutory Issue Paper No. 72

Statutory Surplus

Capital Stock

5. The articles of incorporation set forth the number of authorized shares of capital stock and the par value of each share. The capital stock account represents the number of shares issued times the par value of each share. When no par value is set forth, the reporting entity shall declare a “stated value” and record such amount in the capital stock account. Changes in the par value of a reporting entity’s capital stock shall be reflected as a reclassification between the capital stock account and gross paid-in and contributed surplus.

6. Notes or other receivables received for the issuance of capital stock satisfied by receipt of cash or readily marketable securities prior to the filing of the annual statement shall be treated as a Type I subsequent event in accordance with *Issue Paper No. 9—Subsequent Events* (Issue Paper No. 9) and as such shall be considered an admitted asset based on the evidence of collection and approval of the domiciliary commissioner. To the extent that the notes or other receivables are not satisfied, they shall be nonadmitted.

Treasury Stock

7. Treasury stock is capital stock that has been issued and subsequently reacquired by the reporting entity. It is held for either reissuance or cancellation in the future. When a reporting entity’s stock is acquired for purposes other than retirement, or when ultimate disposition has not yet been decided, the cost of acquired stock shall be reported as treasury stock which reduces statutory surplus. The acquisition of treasury stock has no effect on either the number of shares issued or the amount of paid up capital shown in the capital stock account. Cancellation of treasury stock shall reduce the capital stock account by the par value or stated value and reduce paid-in or contributed surplus by the excess of cost over par value or stated value.

Gross Paid-in and Contributed Surplus

8. Gross paid-in and contributed surplus is the amount of capital received in excess of the par value of the stock issued. Changes in the par value of a reporting entity’s capital stock shall be reflected as a reclassification between the capital stock account and gross paid-in and contributed surplus. Forgiveness of a reporting entity’s obligations to its parent or other stockholders shall be accounted for as contributed surplus.

9. Notes or other receivables received as additional capital contributions satisfied by receipt of cash or readily marketable securities prior to the filing of the annual statement shall be treated as a Type I subsequent event in accordance with Issue Paper No. 9 and as such shall be considered an admitted asset based on the evidence of collection and approval of the domiciliary commissioner. To the extent that the notes or other receivables are not satisfied, they shall be nonadmitted.

10. Real estate or other assets received as additional capital contributions are nonreciprocal transfers as defined in *Issue Paper No. 73—Nonmonetary Transactions*.

11. Stock purchase warrants issued in return for cash shall be credited to gross paid-in and contributed surplus. When debt instruments are issued with conversion features, no value shall be assigned to the conversion features unless the conversion feature is clearly separable from the debt obligation in the form of a detachable stock purchase warrant. In such instances the relative fair value of the detachable stock purchase warrant at time of issue shall be credited to gross paid-in and contributed surplus.

Surplus Notes

12. Surplus notes are financial instruments that are subject to strict control by the commissioner of the reporting entity’s state of domicile and have been approved by the commissioner as to form and content. These instruments are commonly referred to as surplus notes but are also referred to as surplus debentures or contribution certificates. *Issue Paper No. 41—Surplus Notes* (Issue Paper No. 41) provides

the specific characteristics of surplus notes and provides accounting guidance for surplus notes. Only notes meeting the requirements of Issue Paper No. 41 shall be accounted for as surplus notes.

Unassigned Funds (Surplus)

13. Unassigned funds (surplus) represents the undistributed and unappropriated amount of surplus at the balance sheet date. Certain components of unassigned funds (surplus) are addressed in more detail in other issue papers. Unassigned funds (surplus) is comprised of:

- a. Net Income
Net income resulting from insurance and other operating activities of the reporting entity since its inception.
- b. Unrealized Capital Gains and Losses on Investments
The cumulative unrealized capital gain or loss that results from differences between the prescribed statement value of investments carried at market value and the cost of those investments is a component of unassigned funds (surplus). This component changes as periodic unrealized gains and losses are credited or charged directly to unassigned funds (surplus).
- c. Effect of Exchange Rate Fluctuations
The cumulative gain or loss due to translating foreign operations to U.S. dollars and changes in balance sheet asset and liability values due to foreign currency translation are recorded as unrealized capital gains and losses and therefore are a component of unassigned funds (surplus). This component changes as the exchange rates fluctuate.
- d. Nonadmitted Assets
The nonadmitted values of assets owned by a reporting entity are a reduction of unassigned funds (surplus). This component of unassigned funds (surplus) changes as nonadmitted asset values change. Changes in nonadmitted asset values are charged or credited directly to unassigned funds (surplus).
- e. Provision for Reinsurance
A reporting entity must establish a statutory liability, provision for reinsurance, for unsecured reinsurance recoverables from unauthorized reinsurers and certain overdue balances from authorized reinsurers. The liability is charged directly to unassigned funds (surplus). Therefore, at any point in time there is a reduction of unassigned funds (surplus) equal to a reporting entity's liability for unauthorized reinsurance.
- f. Asset Valuation Reserves
Where an Asset Valuation Reserve is required to be recorded as a statutory liability, there is a reduction of unassigned funds (surplus) in an amount equal to the liability. Changes to the Asset Valuation Reserve are charge (surplus).

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Voluntary and general contingency reserves which are not actual liabilities of the reporting entity are shown as appropriated surplus or special surplus funds.

Other Than Special Surplus Funds

15. Amounts provided to reporting entities, other than stock companies, in the organization stage to defray the expenses and meet initial minimum surplus requirements required to obtain a license to do the business of insurance shall be reported as a separate component of surplus called Other than Special Surplus Funds. Examples of these types of deposits include but are not limited to: guaranty fund notes, contribution certificates, and subscriber accounts that represent individual subscriber contributions.

Changes in Statutory Surplus

16. The components of the change in the capital and surplus accounts shall be presented for each year for which an income statement is presented.

Disclosure

17. The financial statements shall disclose the following items:

- a. the number of shares of each class of capital stock authorized, issued and outstanding as of the balance sheet date and the par value or stated value of each class;
- b. the dividend rate, liquidation value and redemption schedule (including prices and dates) of any preferred stock issues;
- c. dividend restrictions, if any, and an indication if the dividends are cumulative;
- d. the portion of the profits that may be paid as ordinary dividends to stockholders;
- e. a description of any restrictions placed on the unassigned funds (surplus) funds including for whom the surplus is being held;
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- iii. the conditions upon which the balances are paid to the subscribers;
- k. Disclosures required by *Issue Paper No. 41—Surplus Notes*;
- l. Disclosures required by *Issue Paper No. 9—Subsequent Events*.

DISCUSSION

18. The statutory accounting principles set forth in this issue paper adopt current statutory accounting guidance and are also consistent with the statutory guidance for surplus notes set forth in Issue Paper No. 41.

19. This issue paper is consistent with the requirements of the Annual Statement Instructions that the changes in the capital and surplus accounts be reflected for each year for which an income statement is presented. This is consistent with *Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 12, Omnibus Opinion - 1967* (APB 12) paragraphs 9 and 10. These paragraphs are adopted with modification to eliminate the option of disclosing changes in the notes to the financial statements rather than in the Statement of Capital and Surplus. This issue paper is consistent with the disclosure requirements of paragraphs 10 and 11 of *Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 10, Omnibus Opinion -1966* (APB 10). Those provisions of APB 10 are adopted herein. This issue paper also adopts paragraph 28 of *Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 9, Reporting the Results of Operations* and *FASB Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 88-9, Put Warrants*, with a modification to reject guidance related to earnings per share.

20. This issue paper expands current statutory accounting to require disclosure of the reasons for changes in the balance of special surplus funds and the components of unassigned funds (surplus) as of the date of the financial statements. This change was made to enhance comparability of financial statements. To the extent that disclosures required by this issue paper are made within specific notes, schedules, or exhibits to the financial statements, those disclosures are not required to be duplicated in a separate note. Annual statutory financial statements which are not accompanied by Annual Statement exhibits and schedules (e.g., annual audit reports) shall include all disclosures required by this issue paper.

21. This issue paper rejects *FASB Emerging Issue Task Force Issue No. 85-1, Classifying Notes Received for Capital Stock* (EITF 85-1), which generally requires notes received as capital contributions to be recorded as a debit to equity rather than as an asset. Paragraphs 6 and 9 of this issue paper require that such notes are recorded as admitted assets if they are satisfied by receipt of cash or readily marketable securities prior to the filing of the statement. To the extent that the notes or other receivables are not satisfied, they shall be nonadmitted. This issue paper also rejects *FASB Emerging Issue Task Force Issue No. 85-2, Classification of Costs Incurred in a Takeover Defense* and *FASB Technical Bulletin No. 85-6, Accounting for a Purchase of Treasury Shares at a Price Significantly in Excess of the Current Market Price of the Shares and the Income Statement Classification of Costs Incurred in Defending against a Takeover Attempt*.

22. This issue paper adopts paragraph 12 of *Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 6, Status of Accounting Research Bulletins* (APB 6) which provides accounting guidance for treasury stock transactions with modification to eliminate the option of recording treasury stock as an asset. Current statutory guidance is limited on recording transactions involving treasury stock. This issue paper rejects paragraphs 1 through 11 and paragraphs 13 through 24 of APB 6.f the financial s-5(no(499 Trand para)51 thrf0.0017 Tc 0.234

31. GAAP requires some of the items in unassigned funds (surplus) to be reflected in retained earnings while others are reported as a separate and distinct component of stockholders' equity. Those items that are accounted for as part of retained earnings include:

- a. net income;
- b. effect of changes in accounting principles;
- c. corrections of errors;
- d. dividends to stockholders.

GAAP distinguishes between stock dividends and stock splits for purposes of reclassifications between paid in capital and retained earnings although total stockholders' equity is not affected. This issue paper adopts paragraphs 1 through 4 and 10 through 16 of *Accounting Research Bulletin No. 43, Chapter 7B, Stock Dividends and Stock Split-ups*.

32. Those items in unassigned funds (surplus) that are reported as separate and distinct components of stockholders' equity under GAAP include:

- a. unrealized gain or loss on investments;
- b. unrealized gain or loss resulting from exchange rate fluctuations.

The amount of unrealized gains or losses on investments may differ between GAAP and statutory reporting because of the amounts at which investments are reported in the balance sheet under the different bases of accounting. Unrealized gains and losses relating to exchange rate fluctuations will differ as well because GAAP requires certain types of gains and losses relating to exchange rate fluctuations to be charged or credited to operations in the period of the change.

33. GAAP does not recognize statutory liabilities such as the provision for reinsurance or the asset valuation reserve and therefore those items are not components of stockholders' equity whereas they are components of unassigned funds (surplus).

34. For GAAP, stock issuance expenses are accounted as a reduction of additional paid in capital whereas for statutory purposes they are accounted for as a reduction of unassigned funds (surplus).

Drafting Notes/Comments

- *Issue Paper No. 3—Accounting Changes*, provides guidance on reporting changes in accounting principles and corrections of errors.
- *Issue Paper No. 84—Quasi-reorganizations*, permits adjustments to surplus and capital accounts for the effects of a quasi-reorganization in limited situations.
- *Issue Paper No. 41—Surplus Notes*, provides the accounting and disclosure requirements for such instruments.

RELEVANT STATUTORY ACCOUNTING AND GAAP GUIDANCE

Statutory Accounting

35. Chapter 23, Capital Stock, of the P&C Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual provides the following guidance:

The articles of incorporation set forth the number of authorized shares of capital stock and the par value of each share, and the number of shares to be issued and sold so as to provide at least the minimum paid-up capital.

Subsequent Stock Issues

The statutes and regulations of the domiciliary state should be consulted prior to the offering or issuance of any stock.

Treasury Stock

Treasury stock is capital stock of the company that has been issued, fully paid for, and subsequently reacquired by the company. It is held for either reissuance or cancellation in the future.

An insurance company is customarily restricted in

While paid-in or organizational surplus will not be decreased (except upon a return of original investment), unassigned surplus deficits are subtracted from the amount of original surplus to determine if a company has fallen below the required minimum surplus.

Surplus, for purposes of meeting the minimum requirements, consists of:

- Paid-in or contributed surplus for stock companies;
- Guaranty fund surplus for mutual companies;
- Subordinated surplus debentures, notes, or similar instruments;
- Special or appropriated surplus;
- Unassigned surplus;
- Organizational surplus for mutual companies.

Minimum Surplus Requirements - Stock Companies

Most states require a minimum surplus at the time of organization. This amount, which is generally represented by paid-in surplus, may be determined by the nature of the company or by the number of lines a company writes. State statutes may further require a minimum surplus to be maintained permanently.

Minimum Surplus Requirements - Mutual Companies

Mutual companies, upon organization, are required to have an organizational surplus which usually conforms to the capital required of a stock company. In addition to this permanent surplus, an expendable surplus may also be required at the time of organization. Some states do not require a permanent surplus for a mutual company if the assessment liability of its members is unlimited. The statutes and regulations of the state of domicile should be consulted with regard to the appropriate requirements.

The funds necessary to meet initial surplus requirements will generally be generated either by applications for insurance or by contribution notes.

Minimum Surplus Requirements - Reciprocals

State statutes should be reviewed for surplus requirements of reciprocals, which are usually similar to the requirements for mutual companies.

Capital or Surplus Impairment

State statutes vary widely with regard to the impairment of capital or minimum surplus in a stock company or a permanent surplus in a mutual company. In most cases, an order or notice is issued requiring correction of the impairment. Correcting such an impairment may entail issuing new capital stock, surplus or contribution notes, subordinated debentures, or some other means such as a contribution to paid-in surplus. If time limitations are not met, further action will be taken.

Chapter 25, Unassigned Surplus

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Unassigned funds (surplus) is the undistributed and unappropriated amount of surplus and includes net income as well as the following items.

Unrealized Capital Gains and Losses on Investments

The annual statement includes a framework for calculating the unrealized capital gains and losses. Unrealized capital gains and losses result from a change in the prescribed statement value of investments between reporting dates. The change in the net unrealized capital gain or loss is a direct credit or charge to unassigned surplus.

Change in Nonadmitted Assets

The change in nonadmitted assets between the current and prior years statement is charged or credited directly to unassigned surplus. (See Chapter 9-Nonadmitted Assets.)

Change in Liability for Unauthorized Reinsurance

Where credit is not allowed for unauthorized reinsurance, the ceding insurer must establish a liability. Any change in the liability should be charged or credited directly to unassigned surplus. (See Chapter 22-Reinsurance.)

Change in Foreign Exchange Adjustment

Assets and liabilities in foreign currency are subject to adjustment to the prevailing foreign exchange rate. The change in the foreign exchange adjustment between the current and prior statement is charged or credited directly to unassigned surplus. (See Chapter 13-Other Liabilities.)

Change in Excess of Statutory Reserves Over Statement Reserves

Certain liability and compensation loss and loss expense reserves are subject to statutory minimums. The change in such statutory reserve between the current and prior years statement is charged or credited directly to unassigned surplus. (See Chapter 10-Losses.)

Dividends to Stockholders

Dividends to stockholders may only be paid from unassigned surplus. The amount available may be affected by numerous factors; for example, the insurance laws of the state of domicile, the existence of contractual commitment such as a borrowing agreement, etc. The corporation, as a matter of policy through its board of directors, may limit the amount of dividends and retain profits.

Dividends declared by the board are charged directly to unassigned surplus and are carried as a liability in the balance sheet until paid. The amount of the dividend is the actual amount paid in cash, the fair market value of the property, or the par value of the company's stock. A stock dividend is recorded as a transfer from unassigned surplus to capital.

Stock Issuance Expenses

Expenses relating to the issuance of capital stock, for example underwriting commissions and filing fees, are chargeable to the unassigned surplus account and not to paid-in surplus.

Appropriations of Surplus

A company may establish a segregated surplus account to provide for contingencies. Surplus thus segregated is called appropriated surplus or special surplus funds. Voluntary and general contingency reserves which are not actual liabilities of the company should be shown as appropriated surplus or as special surplus funds. An appropriation of surplus is recorded as a transfer from unassigned surplus to special surplus funds.

- d. Indicate the total amount of stock held by the company, including stock of affiliated companies, for special purposes such as conversion of preferred stock and employee stock options.

39. Section 4 of the Life and Health Reinsurance Agreements Model Regulation provides the following guidance for ceded reinsurance:

C(1) Agreements entered into after the effective date of this regulation which involve the reinsurance of business issued prior to the effective date of the agreements, along with any subsequent amendments thereto, shall be filed by the ceding company with the commissioner within thirty (30) days from its date of execution. Each filing shall include data detailing the financial impact of the transaction. The ceding insurer's actuary who signs the financial statement actuarial opinion with respect to valuation of reserves shall consider this regulation and any applicable actuarial standards of practice when determining the proper credit in financial statements filed with this department. The actuary should maintain adequate documentation and be prepared upon request to describe the actuarial work performed for inclusion in the financial statements and to demonstrate that such work conforms to this regulation.

C(2) Any increase in surplus net of federal income tax resulting from arrangements described in Subsection C(1) shall be identified separately on the insurer's statutory financial statement as a surplus item (aggregate write-ins for gains and losses in surplus in the Capital and Surplus Account, page 4 of the Annual Statement) and recognition of the surplus increase as income shall be reflected on a net of tax basis in the "Reinsurance ceded" line, page 4 of the Annual Statement as earnings emerge from the business reinsured.

{For example, on the last day of calendar year N, company XYZ pays a \$20 million initial commission and expense allowance to company ABC for reinsuring an existing block of business. Assuming a 34% tax rate, the net increase in surplus at inception is \$13.2 million (\$20 million - \$6.8 million) which is reported on the "Aggregate write-ins for gains and losses in surplus" line in the Capital and Surplus account. \$6.8 million (34% of \$20 million) is reported as income on the "Commissions and expense allowances on reinsurance ceded" line of the Summary of Operations.

At the end of year N+1 the business has earned \$4 million. ABC has paid \$.5 million in profit and risk charges in arrears for the year and has received a \$1 million experience refund. Company ABC's annual statement would report \$1.65 million (66% of (\$4 million - \$1 million - \$.5 million) up to a maximum of \$13.2 million) on the "Commissions and expense allowance on reinsurance ceded" line of the Summary of Operations, and -\$1.65 million on the "Aggregate write-ins for gains and losses in surplus" line of the Capital and Surplus account. The experience refund would be reported separately as a miscellaneous income item in the Summary of Operations.}

40. The Annual Statement Instructions require the following disclosures for Subscriber Savings Accounts:

Instruction:

For reciprocal insurance companies only, describe the amount of surplus identified as subscriber savings accounts; indicate the source of the funds (either from the reciprocal's operations or contribution by the individual subscriber) and, the reporting location in surplus; and describe the conditions upon which the balances are paid to the subscribers.

Illustration:

At December 31, 19XX the Company has \$_____ identified to subscriber savings accounts. Of this amount, \$_____ is from company operations and is reported in Unassigned Funds (Page 3, Line 24C). The balance identified to subscriber savings account, \$_____, was contributed directly by subscribers and is separately reported in Other Than Special Surplus Funds (Page 3,

To the Executive Committee,
American Institute of Accountants:

3. "This committee has had under consideration the question regarding treatment of purchase and sale by a corporation of its own stock, which was raised during 1937 by the New York Stock Exchange with the Institute's special committee on cooperation with stock exchanges.

4. "As a result of discussions which then took place, the special committee on cooperation with stock exchanges made a report which was approved by the committee on accounting procedure and the executive committee, and a copy of which was furnished to the committee on stock list of the New York Stock Exchange. The question raised was stated in the following form:

5. "Should the difference between the purchase and resale prices of a corporation's own common stock be reflected in earned surplus (either directly or through inclusion in the income account) or should such difference be reflected in capital surplus?"

6. "The opinion of the special committee on cooperation with stock exchanges reads in part as follows:

7. "Apparently there is general agreement that the difference between the purchase price and the stated value of a corporation's common stock purchased and retired should be reflected in capital surplus. Your committee believes that while the net asset value of the shares of common stock outstanding in the hands of the public may be increased or decreased by such purchase and retirement, such transactions relate to the capital of the corporation and do not give rise to corporate profits or losses. Your committee can see no essential difference between (a) the purchase and retirement of a corporation's own common stock and the subsequent issue of common shares, and (b) the purchase and resale of its own common stock."

8. "This committee is in agreement with the views thus expressed; it is aware that such transactions have been held to give rise to taxable income, but it does not feel that such decisions constitute any bar to the application of correct accounting procedure as above outlined.

9. "The special committee on cooperation with stock exchanges continued and concluded its report with the following statement:

10. "Accordingly, although your committee recognizes that there may be cases where the transactions involved are so inconsequential as to be immaterial, it does not believe that, as a broad general principle, such transactions should be reflected in earned surplus (either directly or through inclusion in the income account)."

11. "This committee agrees with the special committee on cooperation with stock exchanges, but thinks it desirable to point out that the qualification should not be applied to any transaction which, although in itself inconsiderable in amount, is a part of a series of transactions which in the aggregate are of substantial importance.

12. "This committee recommends that the views expressed be circulated for the information of members of the Institute."

42. APB 12, *Omnibus Opinion 1967*, provides the following guidance:

9. Paragraph 7 of *APB Opinion No. 9, Reporting the Results of Operations*, states that "The statement of income and the statement of retained earnings (separately or combined) are designed to reflect, in a broad sense, the 'results of operations'." Paragraph 28 of *APB Opinion No. 9* states that certain capital transactions ". . . should be excluded from the determination of net income or the results of operations under all circumstances." Companies generally have reported the current year's changes in stockholders' equity accounts other than retained earnings in separate statements or notes to the financial statements when presenting both financial position and results of operations for one or more years. A question has arisen as to whether,

- a. When a corporation's stock is retired, or purchased for constructive retirement (with or without an intention to retire the stock formally in accordance with applicable laws):
 - i. an excess of purchase price over par or stated value may be allocated between capital surplus and retained earnings. The portion of the excess allocated to capital surplus should be limited to the sum of (a) all capital surplus arising from previous retirements and net "gains" on sales of treasury stock of the same issue and (b) the prorata portion of capital surplus paid in, voluntary transfers of retained earnings, capitalization of stock dividends, etc., on the same issue. For this purpose, any remaining capital surplus applicable to issues fully retired (formal or constructive) is deemed to be applicable prorata to shares of common stock. Alternatively, the excess may be charged entirely to retained earnings in recognition of the fact that a corporation can always capitalize or allocate retained earnings for such purposes.
 - ii. an excess of par or stated value over purchase price should be credited to capital surplus.
- b. When a corporation's stock is acquired for purposes other than retirement (formal or constructive), or when ultimate disposition has not yet been decided, the cost of acquired stock may be shown separately as a deduction from the total of capital stock, capital surplus, and retained earnings, or may be accorded the accounting treatment appropriate for retired stock, or in some circumstances may be shown as an asset in accordance with

predominant practice is to offset the notes and stock in the equity section. However, such notes may be recorded as an asset if collected in cash prior to issuance of the financial statements.

Some Task Force members stated that they were aware of very few cases in which nonpublic companies reported such notes as an asset except in circumstances in which they (1) were secured by irrevocable letters of credit or other liquid collateral or were discountable at a bank and (2) included a stated maturity in a reasonably short period of time.

The SEC Observer stated that, for registrants, exceptions to the general rule would be very rare.

Status

No further EITF discussion is planned.

48. *ARB 43, Chapter 7B, Stock Dividends and Split-ups*, provides the following guidance:

Section B -- Stock Dividends and Stock Split-ups

1. The term stock dividend as used in this section refers to an issuance by a corporation of its own common shares to its common shareholders without consideration and under conditions indicating that such action is prompted mainly by a desire to give the recipient shareholders some ostensibly separate evidence of a part of their respective interests in accumulated corporate earnings without distribution of cash or other property which the board of directors deems necessary or desirable to retain in the business.

2. The term stock split-up as used in this chapter refers to an issuance by a corporation of its own common shares to its common shareholders without consideration and under conditions indicating that such action is prompted mainly by a desire to increase the number of outstanding shares for the purpose of effecting a reduction in their unit market price and, thereby, of obtaining wider distribution and improved marketability of the shares.

3. This chapter is not concerned with the accounting for a distribution or issuance to shareholders of (a) shares of another corporation theretofore held as an investment, or (b) shares of a different class, or (c) rights to subscribe for additional shares or (d) shares of the same class in cases where each shareholder is given an election to receive cash or shares.

4. The discussion of accounting for stock dividends and split-ups that follows is divided into two parts. The first deals with the problems of

otherwise dictated by legal requirements, in earned surplus subject to possible further similar stock issuances or cash distributions.

11. Where the number of additional shares issued as a stock dividend is so great that it has, or may reasonably be expected to have, the effect of materially reducing the share market value, the committee believes that the implications and possible constructions discussed in the preceding paragraph are not likely to exist and that the transaction clearly partakes of the nature of a stock split-up as defined in paragraph 2. Consequently, the committee considers that under such circumstances there is no need to capitalize earned surplus, other than to the extent

RELEVANT LITERATURE**Statutory Accounting**

- Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual for Property and Casualty Insurance Companies, Chapter 23, Capital Stock, Chapter 24, Paid-In or Contributed Surplus and Organizational Surplus, Chapter 25, Unassigned Funds (Surplus)
- Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual for Life and Accident and Health Insurance Companies, Chapter 26, Capital Stock, Chapter 27, Paid-In or Contributed Surplus and Organizational Surplus, Chapter 28, Unassigned Funds (Surplus)
- NAIC Annual Statement Instructions
- Life and Health Reinsurance Agreements Model Regulation
- *Issue Paper No. 3—Accounting Changes*
- *Issue Paper No. 7—Asset Valuation Reserve and Interest Maintenance Reserve*
- *Issue Paper No. 9—Subsequent Events*
- *Issue Paper No. 25—Accounting for and Disclosures about Transactions with Affiliates and Other Related Parties*
- *Issue Paper No. 73—Nonmonetary Transactions*
- *Issue Paper No. 41—Surplus Notes*
- *Issue Paper No. 75—Property and Casualty Reinsurance*
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