

# Conduit Holdings Limited

**Q1 2024 Trading Update** 15 May 2024



### Strong growth continues in Q1 2024

### Gross premiums written of \$356.8 million, +28.3% versus Q1 2023

- Year-on-year growth: property 37%, casualty 6% and specialty 31%
- 35.1% increase in reinsurance revenue to \$181.1 million from \$134.0 million in Q1 2023
- Our focus remains on classes where margins are most attractive

### Positive risk-adjusted rate change of 3%, net of inflation, across the portfolio

- 5% in property, -2% in casualty, 2% in specialty
- Technical rate levels remain generally very strong, spread of rate change observed within each of the classes
- Industry legacy development supporting go forward pricing discipline

### **Trading environment**

- Remains an underwriters' market healthy margins available created by year-on-year improvements
- New supply visible in the market for cat risk generally; some offset with increased demand
- Active quarter for industry events, our exposure well within planning expectations, pockets of positive impact on rate

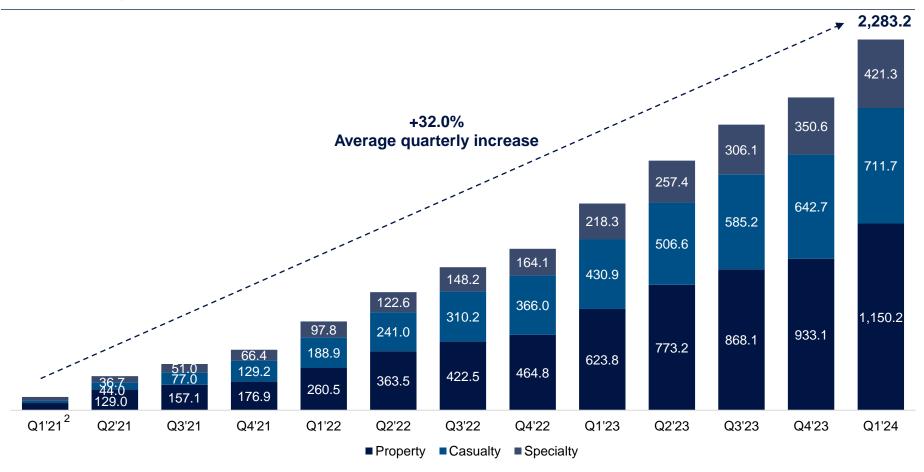
### Mature business now in fourth trading year

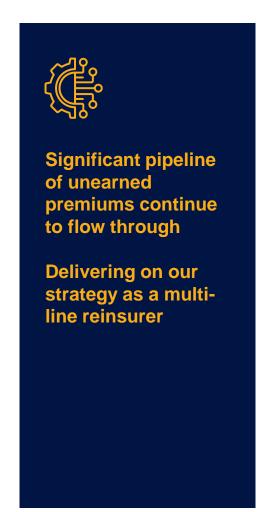
- Strong origination platform and selective risk approach maintained across all three business segments
- Momentum has been maintained through April renewals
- Continuing to expand non-admitted partnerships established over the last 36 months



# Over \$2.2bn gross premiums written since inception

### Cumulative gross premiums written<sup>1</sup> (\$m)







<sup>1.</sup> Gross premiums written now exclude reinstatement premiums to ensure consistency with the IFRS 17 view of revenue

<sup>2.</sup> For Q1 2021, the gross premiums written were: Property: \$44.2m; Casualty: \$15.9m; Specialty: \$22.5m

# 37% growth in property



### Cumulative risk-adjusted rate change, net of inflation<sup>2</sup>



**E&S**<sup>3</sup> **primary market** continuing to show **strong pricing discipline** 

Cat capacity increasing in upper end of risk profile, changing market dynamics

Specialist and mid-size carriers presenting a broad range of non-cat and cat opportunities

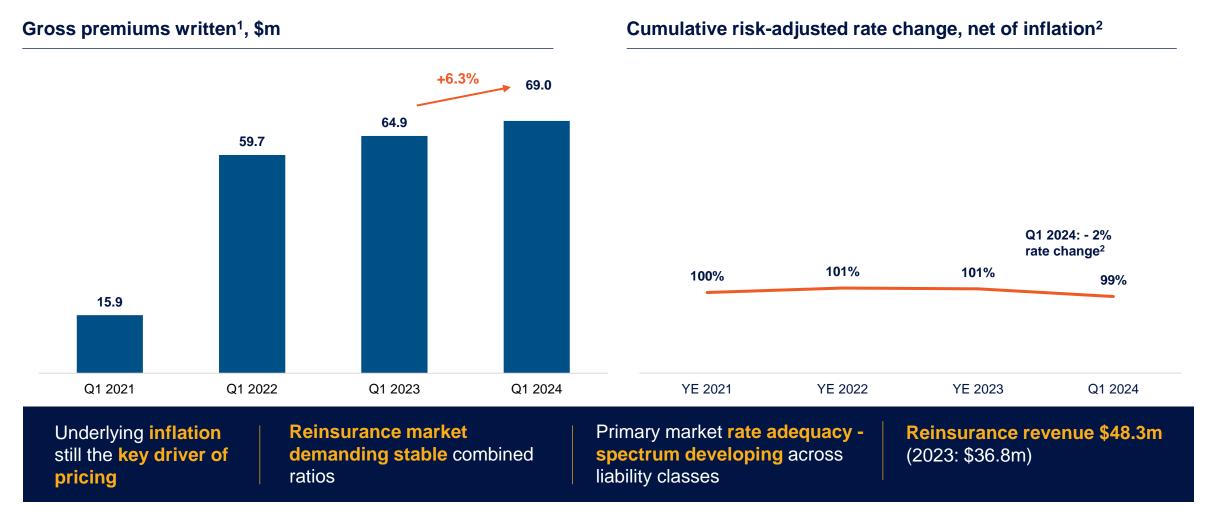
Reinsurance revenue \$98.8m (Q1 2023: \$72.9m)



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# 6% growth in casualty

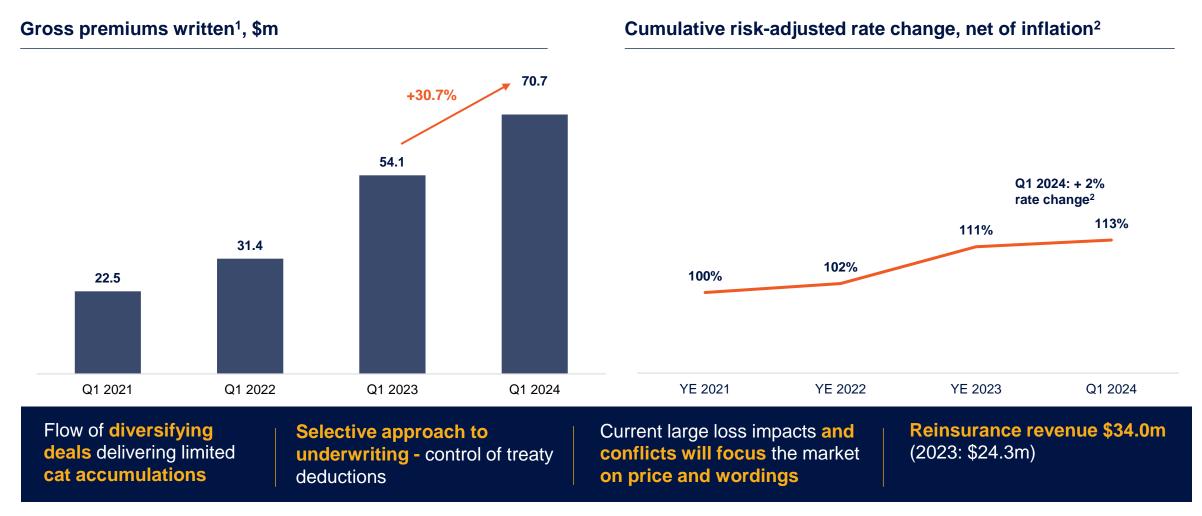




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# 31% growth in specialty





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### Financial highlights

### Gross premiums written<sup>1</sup> for the three months ended 31 March 2024:

|           | 2024<br>\$m | 2023<br>\$m | Change<br>\$m | Change<br>% |  |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--|
| Property  | 217.1       | 159.0       | 58.1          | 36.5        |  |
| Casualty  | 69.0        | 64.9        | 4.1           | 6.3         |  |
| Specialty | 70.7        | 54.1        | 16.6          | 30.7        |  |
| Total     | 356.8       | 278.0       | 78.8          | 28.3        |  |

# Reinsurance revenue for the three months ended 31 March 2024:

|           | 2024<br>\$m | 2023<br>\$m | Change<br>\$m | Change % |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------|
| Property  | 98.8        | 72.9        | 25.9          | 35.5     |
| Casualty  | 48.3        | 36.8        | 11.5          | 31.3     |
| Specialty | 34.0        | 24.3        | 9.7           | 39.9     |
| Total     | 181.1       | 134.0       | 47.1          | 35.1     |



Significant growth, driven by overall positive rate increases, strong demand and high retention



No event loss, individually or in aggregate, had a material impact on Conduit Re during the first three months of 2024; exposure to the Baltimore Bridge collapse is within our expectations for an event of this nature



Our undiscounted ultimate loss estimates, net of ceded reinsurance and reinstatement premiums, for prior years reported loss events remain stable



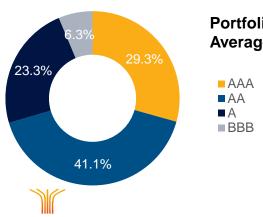
Gross premiums written exclude reinstatement premiums to ensure consistency with the IERS 17 view of revenue

# High quality investment portfolio

#### Asset allocation as at 31 March 2024



### Credit quality as at 31 March 2024



CONDUIT RE

**Portfolio Duration:** 2.5 years **Average Credit Quality:** AA

Capital preservation and liquidity to support our underwriting teams remain of paramount importance and determines our low-risk strategic portfolio allocation

- High quality investment portfolio with average credit quality of AA; book yield 3.9%, market yield 5.3%
- Short portfolio duration of 2.5 years; opportunity to reinvest at higher interest rates as the existing portfolio rolls over
- Total investment return 0.5% in Q1'24, due to a higher yielding portfolio which offset the increase in treasury yields, compared to 1.8% in Q1'23 which experienced a significant reduction in treasury yields
- Continued consideration of ESG factors in the management of investments

# Quality growth momentum - diversified range of classes



Solid growth in gross premiums written for the quarter with momentum continuing through the 1 April renewals



Trading environment and rating levels remain in our favour; continuing to grow shares and positions appropriately



All three divisions playing their part enabling true multi-line diversification with controlled PML's



Strong balance sheet with maturing portfolio; low 80s undiscounted combined ratio continues to emerge



Strict focus on high quality new business opportunities; deal flow pipeline remains high



# Any questions?



# **Appendices**

# HOW WE CREATE VALUE



### Our key business objectives

Building a sustainable business for the long-term benefit of our stakeholders

Deliver profitability and mid-teens return on equity across the cycle

# Our investment proposition



# **Targeted** underwriting

- Multiline reinsurance treaty focus
- Balanced and diversified portfolio
- Dynamic cycle
  management across lines
  of business and
  geographies



# Operational excellence

- Single location, highly efficient set up with open and collaborative culture
- Management team with proven industry track record
- Targeted and effective use of data-driven pricing, analytics and exposure management thanks to efficient cloud-based ecosystem



# Strong balance sheet

- Balance sheet well capitalised for future growth
- AM Best (A-) Excellent rating with "very strong" balance sheet strength
- High quality investment portfolio, with average credit quality of AA



# **Historic financial highlights**

|  | H1 2022     | FY 2022 | H1 2023 | FY 2023 | Commentary                              |
|--|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---|
| Gross premiums written growth <sup>1</sup> | +69%        | +67%    | +53%    | +50%    | Strong, targeted growth                 |
| Combined ratio (undiscounted) <sup>2</sup> | 105.8%      | 109.3%  | 83.1%   | 81.9%   | Low 80s emerging                        |
| Investment book yield                      | 1.4%        | 2.4%    | 3.2%    | 3.7%    | Opportunity to reinvest at higher rates |
| Other operating expense ratio              | 6.9%        | 6.0%    | 5.7%    | 5.1%    | Efficient business model                |
| RoE  | $(4.0\%)^3$ | (4.4%)  | 9.1%³   | 22.0%   | Cross-cycle target of mid-teens RoE     |
| Dividend per share                         | \$0.18      | \$0.36  | \$0.18  | \$0.36  | In line with dividend policy            |
| Net tangible assets per share              | \$5.56      | \$5.41  | \$5.72  | \$6.25  |   |
| Total shareholder return                   | (18.9%)     | 5.5%    | 11.4%   | 16.4%   |   |

### **Operational start-up phase:**

- Hiring experienced and respected individuals
- Building infrastructure
- Tactically executed IPO in response to evolving market conditions

### **Operational maturity phase:**

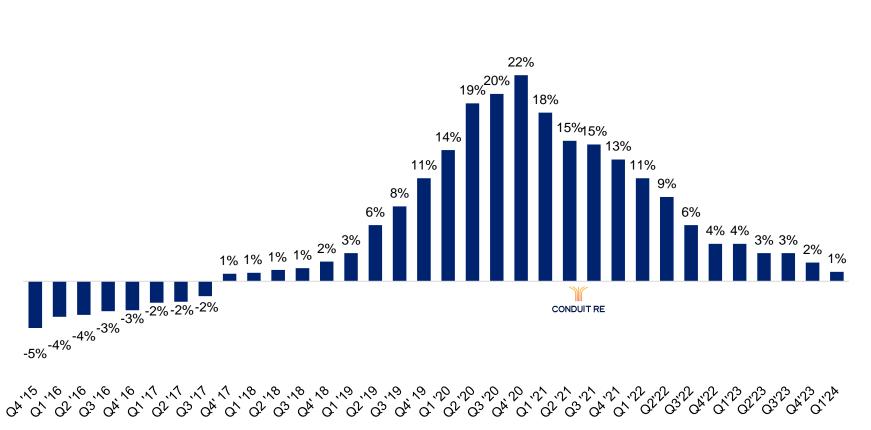
- Key partnerships in place
- Continual investment in infrastructure & talent
- Reaping efficiency benefits of single location operating model



- 1. On IFRS17 basis, compared to the same period in the prior year
- 2. On IFRS17 basis
- 3. RoE on six-months basis, not annualised

# Robust Commercial insurance pricing environment

### **Marsh Global Insurance Market Index**

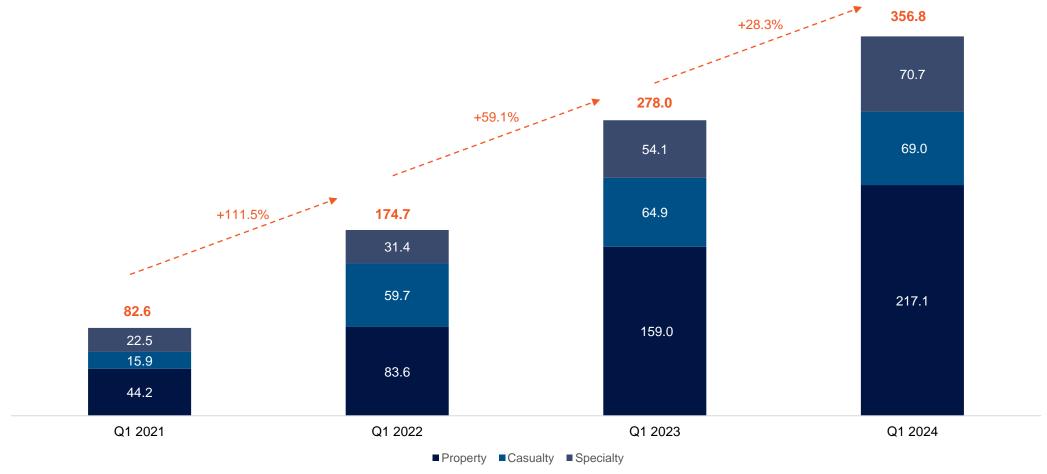




The Marsh Global Insurance Market Index was up 1% overall in the first quarter, down from 2% in Q4 2023, as property price increases slowed to 3% (6% in the prior quarter), while casualty rates increased 3% in line with Q4 2023



# Excellent growth in gross premiums written<sup>1</sup> (\$m)





### Investor relations calendar - 2024

Although we endeavour to adhere to the dates below, all future planned events are provisional and subject to change





### 4 June:

Goldman Sachs (Madrid)

### 12 June:

Peel Hunt (London)

#### **27 June:**

- RBCC (London)

### 5 September:

KBW (New York)



### Forward looking statements

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The Conduit renewal year on year indicative pricing change measure is an internal methodology that management uses to track trends in premium rates of a portfolio of reinsurance contracts. The change measure is specific for our portfolio and reflects management's assessment of relative changes in price, exposure and terms and conditions. It is also net of the estimated impact of claims inflation. It is not intended to be commentary on wider market conditions. The calculation involves a degree of judgement in relation to comparability of contracts and the assessment noted above, particularly in Conduit's initial years of underwriting. To enhance the methodology, management may revise the methodology and assumptions underlying the change measure, so the trends in premium rates reflected in the change measure may not be comparable over time. Consideration is only given to renewals of a comparable nature so it does not reflect every contract in the portfolio of Conduit contracts. The future profitability of the portfolio of contracts within the change measure is dependent upon many factors besides the trends in premium rates.



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