## Development of Risk Appetite Statement at CMHC

- Obtained senior management approval of risks and timelines
- Developed discussions paper on tolerance levels
  - Considered historical volatility
  - Potential future risks
  - "appropriate" levels of risk
- Confirmed Risk Appetite Statement



## CMHC and the CMHC Risk Appetite Statement



- Canada's national housing agency, founded in 1946
- CMHC's objective, on behalf of the federal government, is to improve housing quality, choice and affordability for Canadians
- CMHC is a federal Crown corporation
- Reports to Parliament through Minister
- Majority of Board of Directors are from private sector
- 6<sup>th</sup> largest financial institution in Canada
  - •Total assets of \$273 B (Dec. 31,2009)



## CMHC and the CMHC Risk Appetite Statement (cont'd)

## Helping Canadians in Need – 2009

- Social housing
  - 3,810 new social housing units created under the Affordable Housing Initiative in 2009
  - 620,000 families assisted through long-term subsidies
- Renovations programs
  - 18,000 lower-income households assisted
- First Nations
  - development of 822 non-profit rental housing units in 2009
  - renovation of about 1,190 units
- Canada's Economic Action Plan
  - \$950 million committed towards social housing in 2009
  - up to \$1B in low-cost loans for housing-related infrastructure



