## Enterprise Risk Management Policy at CMHC (cont'd)

#### Senior Management

- Annual completion of ERM letter of representation
- Identify, assess, monitor, manage and mitigate risks that will put
  CMHC offside in relation to risk appetite tolerance levels

#### Chief Risk Officer

- Providing the semi-annual ERM report to ALCO and the Audit Committee
- Communicating the organization's risk management objectives, risk appetite and risk management processes



## Enterprise Risk Management Policy at CMHC (cont'd)

#### Director, ERM

- Providing assistance and training to all areas of the organization to ensure a thorough understanding of the ERM framework and policy and of their respective responsibilities in relation to this policy
- Ensures that the ERM policy, framework and ERM approaches remain current with best practices and are implemented appropriately
- ERM Committee and Resource Group
  - Assists with the process of identifying and assessing risks
- Senior and Middle Level Managers
  - Identify, assess, monitor and manage risks
  - Where appropriate, mitigate risks within area of responsibility



## Enterprise Risk Management Policy at CMHC (cont'd)

#### **Risk Categories** People Mandate Credit Process Market Strategic Business Operational **Financial** Technology Environment Liquidity Risks Risks Risks Security & Reputational & Capital Catastrophic Relational Adequacy Legal & Organizational Pricing Regulatory



## Implementing a Risk Appetite Statement as part of an ERM Program

- Include in ERM policy
- Educate/advise senior managers on Risk Appetite Statement
- Regular reporting against Risk Appetite Statement
- Regular reporting of risks by risk categories
- Regular reporting of new and emerging risks
- Board and senior management engagement in reviewing risks and mitigation strategies
- Consider Strategic Plan as part of long-term



## Ongoing Risk Conversation with the Board at CMHC



- Risk appetite key to guiding the risk conversation with the Board
- ERM policy requires semi-annual reporting
- ERM reports:
  - Risk Register key risks in 14 risk categories
  - Risk appetite report assessments against each tolerance level in Risk appetite statement
  - New & emerging risks recent issues with large degree of uncertainty such that impact &/or likelihood cannot be
- Quarterly financial risk reports

#### Long Term Strategic Planning & Risk - CMHC

- Five year corporate plan is updated annually
- Begins with proposed key objectives 1 year & 5 year
- Senior management team identify:
  - General risks in environment
  - Risks to accomplishment of key objectives
- Draft strategic plan including environmental scan & key risks discussed with Board
- Detailed strategic plan completed based upon Board input
- Risk Appetite Statement considered throughout the
  Strategic Planning Process

#### Proactive Risk Oversight Cycle

#### **Annual Cycle**

Strategic planning exercise – New and emerging risks



Board input to corporate plan



Annual review of ERM Policy

#### Semi-annual Cycle

Identification of risks

Assessment of risks

Senior management review

ERM report to Board



## Assessing the Impact of Risk Profile on your Strategic Direction

- With risk appetite in place, there is an ongoing process where:
  - Long term decisions are made based upon risk profile & risk appetite
  - Short term/ daily decisions also made considering risk appetite





## Techniques for Practicing Proactive Risk Oversight

- Risk oversight can be performed both by senior management & the Board
- Regular reporting of risks can assist this process:
  - Quarterly financial risks
  - Semi-annual ERM reports
  - Annually as part of strategic plan & annual business plan
- Include risk considerations in business cases
- Board should request detailed follow-ups reporting on risks of interest

#### Lessons Learned

- Developing a Risk Appetite Statement is not easy, requires involvement of Senior Management and Board
- Powerful tool for focusing discussions, actions and decision making for both short term and long term (Strategic Plan) issues
- Board approved policy important to get acceptance throughout the organization
- Once approved, Risk Appetite Statement will generate significant discussions on precise meanings of the tolerance levels

### QUESTIONS







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