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NEW TAX PROVISIONS

- Background
 - Tax Reform has had an impact on captives
 - Provisions enacted that will affect both domestic and foreign entities





NEW TAX PROVISIONS PC

Provisions

- Reduction of corporate rate
- Increase of discount of property casualty discount factors
- Definition of "Qualified Insurance Company" in passive foreign investment company provisions
- 2017 10% US shareholder by vote pick up to 1986
- 2018 change in definition of US Shareholder
- New constructive ownership rules for controlled foreign corporations
- Controlled foreign corporations 30 day rule gone
- Difference in treatment of tax exempt income and dividends subjected to DRD +WorldCaptiveForum
- Base erosion anti-abuse tax



CYBER CONCERNS

□ NYS Department of Financial Services (DFS) Cyber Requirements

- Requires licensed entities (including captives) to comply with regulations generally intended to protect certain "non-public" information ("NPI")
- Captives provided an exemption from certain "mechanical" provisions if it does not directly or indirectly control, own, access, generate, receive or possess non-public information
 - Note some other exemptions apply
 - Less than \$5,000,000 in gross annual revenue in each of last 3 fiscal years from New York business operations of covered entity <u>and affiliates</u>
 - Less than \$10,000,000 in year end total assets, per GAAP, including all affiliates
 - Less than 10 employees including independent contractors of covered entity and affiliates



CYBER CONCERNS

□ NYS Department of Financial Services (DFS) Cyber Requirements (cont'd)

- Captives generally will have NPI
- Need to eliminate access to NPI
- Note "dual hat" issue
- Compliance

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CYBER CONCERNS

- □ NAIC Insurance Data Security Model Law
 - In many respects mirrors NYSDFS regulation
 - Question what other states will require for captives





STATE AND LOCAL ISSUES

- 1. State and local income tax Illinois
- 2. New York issues





MISCELLANEOUS OTHER ISSUES

- BEPS implementation
- Given Service FASB ASU 2015-9
- □ Can offshore captive domiciles avoid the EU Gray List





Q & A

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