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Lehman credit spreads soar to record after loss

By Walden Siew



NEW YORK (Reuters) - The cost of protecting Lehman Brothers' debt against default soared to record risk levels on Wednesday after the bank reported a third-quarter loss and provided few details on how it will raise capital.

Wall Street's fourth-largest investment bank reported a much larger-than-expected thirdquarter loss of \$3.93 billion, hurt by \$5.6 billion of net write-downs.

Lehman also said it plans to sell a majority stake in its investment management division and spin off commercial real estate assets.

Five-year credit default swaps on Lehman Brothers rose 135 basis points to a record 610 basis points on Wednesday, or \$610,000 a year to protect \$10 million of debt, according to Phoenix Partners Group data.

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