



## **Endurance Welcomes John Lavin as Head of U.S. E&S Property Insurance**

PEMBROKE, Bermuda — September 11, 2014 —Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd. (NYSE:ENH), a Bermuda-based specialty provider of property and casualty insurance and reinsurance, announced today that John Lavin will join Endurance on September 22nd as Executive Vice President, U.S. Excess & Surplus (E&S) Property. Mr. Lavin has worked closely with wholesale brokers throughout his career to underwrite commercial property risks, including managing a specialty risk portfolio. He will be based in Endurance's Atlanta office, responsible for Endurance's E&S Property insurance operations in Atlanta, Chicago and Los Angeles.

In the last two months, Endurance has also hired a Commercial Property underwriting team in the U.S. with a focus on retail distribution channels, led by Mark Maritzen, Executive Vice President, and a U.K. based Property team to focus on the international market, led by Rupert Cousins.

Doug Worman, CEO of U.S. Insurance, commented, "Over the last year, we have made a significant commitment to our wholesale distribution partners and we are excited to have John join Endurance given his strong producer relationships in the property market. In his new role, he will work closely with our current property underwriting team to expand the breadth of property coverages that we offer, strengthen our existing broker and client relationships and build new ones."

Richard Housley, Global Property Insurance Leader, added, "With the addition of John and our recent property underwriting hires in the U.S. and U.K., Endurance now has the talent and capabilities to become a preferred property insurance market globally. We look forward to introducing additional products and working with our distribution partners to develop a diversified and quality property portfolio."

Mr. Lavin joins Endurance from ACE Westchester Specialty Group, where he started as a Property Underwriter in 2002. He held several roles of increasing responsibility including Specialty Segments Manager, Chicago Branch Manager and, most recently, Eastern Regional Property Manager. Mr. Lavin holds a Bachelors degree in Business Administration in Risk Management/Insurance from the University of Georgia.

### **About Endurance Specialty Holdings**

Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd. is a global specialty provider of property and casualty insurance and reinsurance. Through its operating subsidiaries, Endurance writes agriculture, casualty and other specialty, professional lines and property lines of insurance and catastrophe, property, casualty, professional lines, and specialty lines of reinsurance. We maintain excellent financial strength as evidenced by the ratings of A (Excellent) from A.M. Best (XV size category) and A (Strong) from Standard and Poor's on our principal operating subsidiaries. Endurance's headquarters are located at Waterloo House, 100 Pitts Bay Road, Pembroke HM 08, Bermuda and its mailing address is Endurance Specialty Holdings Ltd., Suite No. 784, No. 48 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda. For more information about Endurance, please visit [www.endurance.bm](http://www.endurance.bm).

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