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Willis Targets Denver for Growth

New Office Leader, Employee Benefits Team and Sales Professional join Executive Risks team

New York, NY, October 5, 2004 – Willis Group Holdings (NYSE: WSH), the global insurance broker, continues to strengthen its presence in key geographic markets across North America. Today, the company announced that **David C. Benson** has joined Willis as Executive Vice President and Office Leader for the Denver, Colorado office. Benson, who brings 18 years of insurance industry experience, most recently worked in the Denver office of Marsh where he served as a Client Executive and New Business Development Leader for the last 10 years.

Concurrently, the company announced that **Hugh Devlyn, September Udemans and Trisha Tyler**, all Employee Benefits professionals who worked in the Denver office of Aon, have also joined Willis in Denver.

Hugh Devlyn, formerly a Vice President at Aon joins Willis as an Executive Vice President. Hugh brings over 18 years of experience in the employee benefits consulting field, has served as a national practice resource, and holds board positions with numerous non-profit, community service and youth organizations.

September Udemans, formerly an Assistant Vice President at Aon, joins Willis as a Vice President in the Denver office. She has over 10 years of experience in employee benefits with previous work with third party administrators and carriers as well as consulting.

Trisha Tyler, formerly a Consultant at Aon, joins the Denver Willis office as an Associate Vice President. Trisha has an extensive background in health and welfare consulting as well as property and casualty experience.

In addition to these professionals, **Steve Bateski**, formerly with Aon in Denver, has joined Willis as a Senior Vice President. Bateski brings over 10 years of experience to Willis in insurance agency management and new business development focusing in the Mining and Agri-Business industries.

These new Associates join Jim Iacino, Amy Baranoucky and Dana Wells, all Executive Risks professionals, who joined Willis from Marsh last December.

“Our Denver office is rapidly building an infrastructure of experienced insurance professionals to accommodate all areas of insurance, risk management and employee benefits,” said Mario Vitale, CEO of Willis North America. “Our investment in Denver and the people we have hired to serve the Rocky Mountain region strongly position Willis as an emerging leader in the Denver insurance and risk management community.”

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