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Willis Strengthens Construction Presence on Long Island

New York, NY, October 14, 2005 – Willis Group Holdings, Ltd. (NYSE: WSH), the global insurance broker, continuing to strengthen its Construction Practice announced today the appointment of two new industry professionals in its Long Island, New York operations.

Joining Willis from Select Contractors Coverage Corporation are Richard Brazzano and Martin J. Lyons. They bring with them a deep knowledge of the local Long Island construction business, and strong local support for the Willis worldwide network.

Brazzano joins as Senior Vice President, bringing with him over 40 years of experience and a strong background in contractors' insurance. A consummate insurance technician, Brazzano has a reputation for solving difficult insurance problems unique to the construction industry.

Lyons joins as Senior Vice President, bringing an expertise in Surety Bonds which he has acquired while servicing as an underwriter for AIG, handling both domestic and international surety business. Lyons is known for his unique ability to quickly identify a firm's strengths and weaknesses and develop a business plan to meet the clients' surety and insurance requirements.

"Bringing on board Martin and Richard is consistent with our strategy of building our presence in key markets and reflects the Willis model of combining access to global resources with local expertise and close client relationships," noted Leslie Nyland, National Partner of Willis' New York operations. "Merging our global strength in specialty practices and our partner-carrier relationships with their local touch with community business leaders and local and regional carriers, is how we are differentiating ourselves everywhere around the world."

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