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Willis Group Appoints Paul Gibbs to Lead Western Region

New York, NY, April 21, 2006 – Willis Group Holdings (NYSE: WSH), the global insurance broker, today announces that Paul Gibbs has been named National Partner to lead the Western Region of the United States encompassing Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. He was previously Regional Partner for Willis' Southern California operations. Gibbs is based in Los Angeles.

Gibbs joined Willis from Marsh in March 2005, where he worked for 20 years most recently as a Managing Director and Zone Leader for the Southwest (Southern California, Nevada and Arizona). Prior to taking responsibility for the Southwest region, Gibbs directed Marsh's Los Angeles office.

Commenting on this appointment, Mario Vitale, CEO of Willis North America, said, "I am pleased to welcome Paul to his new post as National Partner for the West. Since joining Willis in 2005, Paul has made a tremendous contribution in a very short period of time. He is a proven leader, manager, recruiter, producer and client advocate. The financial results in Southern California have been fantastic and we look forward to the positive impact Paul will have now on a larger scale."

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