

# News Release

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## Willis Re to Collaborate with Accurate Environmental Forecasting

**New York, NY, June 1, 2006** – Willis Group Holdings (NYSE: WSH), the global insurance broker, today announced an exclusive reinsurance intermediary relationship with Accurate Environmental Forecasting, a provider of numerical weather prediction based hurricane hazard products. The new information will offer Willis Re primary insurance clients an independent scientific view of hurricane climate forecasts and the potential financial impacts of hurricanes when they threaten the U.S. coastline.

“The volume of information that is emerging regarding the influence of climate on hurricanes demands that insurers remain informed and fully review the implications on their catastrophe risk,” said Julie Serakos, who leads Willis Re’s global catastrophe modeling practice. “Access to AEF scientists and their detailed forecast products will enable our clients to gain deeper insights into a wider range of climate outcomes that could affect their reinsurance needs.”

In advance of an active hurricane season, the AEF information will enable Willis Re clients to consider the effect of many probable climate scenarios on their catastrophe risk, complementing the average increase in hurricane activity that was introduced in commercial catastrophe models this spring.

“The latest research on Atlantic sea surface temperatures shows that hurricane activity over the next several years is expected to be above the historical average,” said Isaac Ginis, President and CEO of AEF. “We are excited to make our research on the risk implications of elevated hurricane frequency available to primary insurers through our strong relationship with Willis Re.”

AEF’s hurricane forecast information is expected to be available to Willis clients this hurricane season.

Willis Re is one of the world’s premier global reinsurance brokers, employing over 1,000 associates and handling more than \$11 billion in premiums. Willis Re provides local service with the full backing of an integrated global reinsurance broker. Additional information on Willis Re may be found on its web site: <http://www.willisre.com>. Willis Re is a unit of Willis Group Holdings Limited is a leading global insurance broker, developing and delivering professional insurance, reinsurance, risk management, financial and human resource consulting and actuarial services to corporations, public entities and institutions around the world.

Accurate Environmental Forecasting is the technological leader for providing numerical weather prediction (NWP) based hurricane hazard products worldwide. Using state-of-the-art hurricane and weather forecast systems, AEF provides their clients with the best scientific information available for managing their atmospheric and oceanic natural catastrophe risk. Founded in 1998, AEF is committed to providing expert scientific information in a form that can be easily applied to insurance and reinsurance company risk assessment requirements. Additional information on AEF may be found on its web site: <http://www.accufore.com>.