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WILLIS GROUP STRENGTHENS SERVICE TO THE AQUACULTURE INDUSTRY

London, UK, January 4, 2006 – Willis Group Holdings, Ltd. (NYSE:WSH), the global insurance broker, today announced that Neil Hopkins has joined their London bloodstock and livestock insurance operation. He will head up an initiative to provide insurance services to clients in the fast-growing global aquaculture sector.

Hopkins brings unique experience and expertise to Willis, having worked exclusively in this class of business in the London insurance market for the past 21 years. He has dealt with the insurance and reinsurance requirements of a wide variety of clients producing many different species of fish and shellfish in numerous countries around the world.

“The aquaculture industry has experienced tremendous growth in recent years and the increasing global demand for seafood suggests that this trend will continue or even accelerate. The risks to which aquaculture operators are exposed are complex and unique and we are therefore delighted to be able to welcome Neil with his strong technical insurance background and detailed knowledge of these exposures,” said **Chris Williamson, Managing Director** of Willis’ bloodstock and livestock division.

“The combination of Neil’s knowledge and contacts together with the strength of the global Willis network will enable us to provide an excellent service to the worldwide aquaculture industry, delivered locally.”

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