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Assurant Employee Benefits Adds New Voluntary Capabilities

Administrative Services to begin operations in Seattle

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (June 16, 2009) Assurant Employee Benefits, a national carrier of life and disability insurance and dental coverage, today announces the formation of a new Administrative Services department in Seattle, Wa.

The new department was formed with the acquisition of certain capabilities, technology assets, and employees of a Seattle-based Third Party Administrator (TPA), Administrative Systems, Inc., with which the company has worked closely since 2003. Adding these new capabilities as a department within Assurant Employee Benefits greatly enhances the company's administrative platform in the voluntary (employee-paid) benefits market.

"The announcement of the new Administrative Services department is another example of Assurant Employee Benefits' ongoing commitment to strengthening its position as a leader in voluntary employee benefits," says John Roberts, president and chief executive officer, Assurant Employee Benefits. "Our company is focused on providing customers a simple, accurate and convenient voluntary benefits experience."

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About Assurant Employee Benefits

Assurant Employee Benefits specializes in quality employee benefits and services, including long-term and short-term disability, life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance, dental coverage, and disability reinsurance management services. Assurant Employee Benefits also offers voluntary (employee-paid) disability, life, and dental plans. Products and services marketed by Assurant Employee Benefits are underwritten or provided by Union Security Insurance Company or an affiliated prepaid dental company.

In New York, group insurance products and services are marketed by Assurant Employee Benefits and underwritten by Union Security Life Insurance Company of New York, which is licensed in New York and has its principal place of business in Syracuse, New York. Plans contain limitations and exclusions. Underwriting flexibility allows Assurant Employee Benefits to market tailor-made benefit plans for groups of most any size. Assurant Employee Benefits is located in Kansas City, Missouri.

Assurant Employee Benefits is part of Assurant, a premier provider of specialized insurance products and related services in North America and selected international markets. Its four key businesses -- Assurant Solutions; Assurant Specialty Property; Assurant Health; and Assurant Employee Benefits -- have partnered with clients who are leaders in their industries and have built leadership positions in a number of specialty insurance market segments worldwide.

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