

## Enstar Group Limited Announces Reinsurance of QBE Legacy U.S. Business

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Dec. 06, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Enstar Group Limited (NASDAQ:ESGR) announced today that one of its wholly owned subsidiaries has entered into a conditional agreement with a subsidiary of QBE Insurance Group Limited to reinsure U.S. multi-line property and casualty business. Completion of the transaction is subject to receipt of regulatory approvals.

Enstar's subsidiary will assume gross reinsurance reserves of approximately \$919 million (net reserves of \$444 million) relating to the portfolio, which primarily includes workers' compensation, construction defect, and general liability discontinued lines of business.

Under the reinsurance transaction, Enstar's subsidiary will pledge a portion of the premium as collateral to a subsidiary of QBE. Enstar will also provide additional collateral and a limited parental guarantee.

As part of the transaction, a subsidiary of Enstar will provide administrative services on the reinsured portfolio.

Commenting on the transaction, Dominic Silvester, Enstar's Chief Executive Officer, said:

"This significant transaction with QBE, a widely recognized industry leader, affirms Enstar's position as a provider of choice for complex reinsurance solutions. The confidence QBE has shown in partnering with us also attests to our market-leading reputation as managers of workers' compensation and property and casualty legacy portfolios."

## **About Enstar**

Enstar is a multi-faceted insurance group that offers innovative capital release solutions and specialty underwriting capabilities through its network of group companies in Bermuda, the United States, the United Kingdom, Continental Europe, Australia, and other international locations. Enstar is a market leader in completing legacy acquisitions, having acquired over 70 companies and portfolios since its formation in 2001. Enstar's active underwriting businesses include the StarStone group of companies, an A- rated global specialty insurance group with multiple global underwriting platforms, and the Atrium group of companies, which manage and underwrite specialist insurance and reinsurance business for Lloyd's Syndicate 609. For further information about Enstar, see <a href="https://www.enstargroup.com">www.enstargroup.com</a>.

## **Cautionary Statement**

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