## LANCASHIRE HOLDINGS LIMITED

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## **Lancashire Holdings Limited - CEO statement**

Alex Maloney, the CEO of Lancashire Holdings Limited (Lancashire) has today made the following statement:

"In November 2013, Lancashire acquired Cathedral Capital Limited (Cathedral) and since then Cathedral has been central to the operation and successful delivery of our wider group's strategic objectives - together with Lancashire's UK and Bermuda operating platforms and our Kinesis third-party reinsurance capital business. Over the last two years we have worked on achieving greater connectivity and synergies within and between our businesses. A notable success has been the build out of Cathedral Syndicate 3010.

An agreement has now been reached with Peter Scales and John Lynch (respectively Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of Cathedral) to leave the group on 31 March 2016. They have been at the helm for the fifteen years since Cathedral was founded and their professionalism throughout has been an important continuing factor in the success of Cathedral. Their departure is part of the continuing integration of Cathedral into the Lancashire group of businesses.

Their expertise and dedication has helped establish Cathedral as one of the most successful and well-known businesses at Lloyd's with a respected franchise and an excellent portfolio of clients. They have both worked over the last two years towards the better integration of our group of companies. We will continue to work together until their departures, and I would like to thank them both for the immense contribution which they have made to Cathedral over many years and to wish them well for the future.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Cathedral underwriting teams. Whilst all sides of our wider group have distinct and separate underwriting cultures, each is appropriate to the type of business underwritten and the respective risk profiles and underwriting strategies. As a group we do not seek to operate a monolithic one size fits all approach to underwriting, but one that is tailored to the needs of our clients and brokers according to their requirements and the markets within which our various businesses operate."

Tony South, Chairman of Cathedral Underwriting Limited (the Cathedral Lloyd's managing agency) said:

"I have known and worked with Peter and John for more than fifteen years, during which time they have both played an essential part in the success of the Cathedral business.

Personally, I shall miss them, as will the rest of the Cathedral Board, and we wish them every success in the future."

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## **About Lancashire**

Lancashire, through its UK and Bermuda-based operating subsidiaries, is a global provider of specialty insurance and reinsurance products. The Group companies carry the following ratings:

	Financial Strength Rating <sup>(1)</sup>	Financial Strength Outlook <sup>(1)</sup>	Long Term Issuer	
			Rating (2)	
A.M. Best	A (Excellent)	Stable	bbb	
Standard & Poor's	A-`	Stable	BBB	
Moody's	A3	Stable	Baa2	

<sup>(1)</sup> Financial Strength Rating and Financial Strength Outlook apply to Lancashire Insurance Company Limited and Lancashire Insurance Company (UK) Limited.

Cathedral benefits from Lloyd's ratings: A.M. Best: A (Excellent); Standard & Poor's: A+ (Strong); and Fitch: AA- (Very Strong).

Lancashire has capital in excess of \$1.5 billion and its common shares trade on the premium segment of the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol LRE. Lancashire has its corporate headquarters and mailing address at 29th Floor, 20 Fenchurch Street, London EC3M 3BY, United Kingdom and its registered office at Power House, 7 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda

For more information on Lancashire and Lancashire's subsidiary and Lloyd's segment, Cathedral Capital Limited ("Cathedral"), visit Lancashire's website at <a href="https://www.lancashiregroup.com">www.lancashiregroup.com</a>

Lancashire Insurance Company Limited is regulated by the Bermuda Monetary Authority in Bermuda.

Lancashire Insurance Company (UK) Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority in the UK.

Kinesis Capital Management Limited is regulated by the Bermuda Monetary Authority in Bermuda.

Cathedral Underwriting Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority in the UK. It is also authorised and regulated by Lloyd's.

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THESE FACTORS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO: THE GROUP'S ABILITY TO INTEGRATE ITS BUSINESSES AND PERSONNEL; THE SUCCESSFUL RETENTION AND MOTIVATION OF THE GROUP'S KEY MANAGEMENT; THE INCREASED REGULATORY BURDEN FACING THE GROUP, THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE CONTRACTS THAT THE GROUP WRITES OR MAY WRITE; THE GROUP'S ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT SUCCESSFULLY ITS BUSINESS STRATEGY DURING 'SOFT' AS WELL AS 'HARD' MARKETS; THE PREMIUM RATES WHICH MAY BE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF SUCH RENEWALS WITHIN THE GROUP'S TARGETED BUSINESS LINES; THE POSSIBLE LOW FREQUENCY OF LARGE EVENTS; POTENTIALLY UNUSUAL LOSS FREQUENCY; THE IMPACT THAT THE GROUP'S FUTURE OPERATING RESULTS, CAPITAL POSITION AND RATING AGENCY AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS MAY HAVE ON THE EXECUTION OF ANY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES OR DIVIDENDS; THE POSSIBILITY OF GREATER FREQUENCY OR SEVERITY OF CLAIMS AND LOSS ACTIVITY THAN THE GROUP'S UNDERWRITING, RESERVING OR INVESTMENT PRACTICES HAVE ANTICIPATED; THE RELIABILITY OF, AND CHANGES IN ASSUMPTIONS TO, CATASTROPHE PRICING, ACCUMULATION AND ESTIMATED LOSS MODELS; INCREASED COMPETITION FROM EXISTING ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL

<sup>(2)</sup> Long Term Issuer Rating applies to Lancashire Holdings Limited.

PROVIDERS, INSURANCE LINKED FUNDS AND COLLATERALISED SPECIAL PURPOSE INSURERS AND THE RELATED DEMAND AND SUPPLY DYNAMICS AS CONTRACTS COME UP FOR RENEWAL; THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE GROUP'S LOSS LIMITATION METHODS; THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF KEY PERSONNEL; A DECLINE IN THE GROUP'S OPERATING SUBSIDIARIES' RATING WITH A.M. BEST, STANDARD & POOR'S, MOODY'S OR OTHER RATING AGENCIES; INCREASED COMPETITION ON THE BASIS OF PRICING, CAPACITY, COVERAGE TERMS OR OTHER FACTORS; A CYCLICAL DOWNTURN OF THE INDUSTRY; THE IMPACT OF A DETERIORATING CREDIT ENVIRONMENT FOR ISSUERS OF FIXED INCOME INVESTMENTS; THE IMPACT OF SWINGS IN MARKET INTEREST RATES AND SECURITIES PRICES; CHANGES BY CENTRAL BANKS REGARDING THE LEVEL OF INTEREST RATES; THE IMPACT OF INFLATION OR DEFLATION IN RELEVANT ECONOMIES IN WHICH WE OPERATE; THE EFFECT, TIMING AND OTHER UNCERTAINTIES SURROUNDING FUTURE BUSINESS COMBINATIONS WITHIN THE INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE INDUSTRIES; THE IMPACT OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN THE COUNTIRES IN WHICH WE WRITE RISKS; A RATING DOWNGRADE OF, OR A MARKET DECLINE IN, SECURITIES IN ITS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIC; CHANGES IN GOVERNMENTAL REGULATIONS OR TAX LAWS IN JURISDICTIONS WHERE THE GROUP CONDUCTS BUSINESS; ANY OF THE GROUP'S BERMUDIAN SUBSIDIARIES BECOMING SUBJECT TO INCOME TAXES IN THE UNITED STATES OR THE UNITED KINGDOM; THE INAPPLICABILITY TO THE GROUP OF SUITABLE EXCLUSIONS FROM THE UK CFC REGIME; AND ANY CHANGE IN UK GOVERNMENT POLICY WHICH IMPACTS THE CFC REGIME.

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