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### **Hudson Insurance Group Appoints Ronald Honken as Senior Vice President, Commercial Auto**

New York, NY – November 9, 2015 – Hudson Insurance Group (Hudson) today announced the appointment of Ronald Honken to a newly created position as senior vice president of all Commercial Auto business. Mr. Honken will direct the underwriting for all of Hudson’s auto-related business. He will report to Christopher Suarez, chief underwriting officer of Hudson Insurance Group.

Mr. Honken has 30 years of commercial auto experience. He most recently served as senior vice president at Berkley Fleet Services, a W.R. Berkley Company. Prior to this, he was employed for 23 years in positions of increasing responsibility at Great West Casualty, finally serving as executive vice president at the time of his departure. He began his career as a commercial lines underwriter at Tri-State Insurance of Minnesota.

“We are very pleased that Ron has joined Hudson’s Commercial Auto team and are excited about our opportunities for growth in this key business segment,” said Christopher Gallagher, president and CEO of Hudson. “He is a proven business leader who will add depth to our management team and enhance our capabilities across all of our distribution channels.”

Mr. Honken holds a B.S. from the University of Sioux Falls. He will be based in Hudson’s Indianapolis office.

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## **About Hudson Insurance Group**

Headquartered in New York City with offices throughout the U.S. and in Vancouver, Canada, Hudson is a market-leading specialty insurer that offers a wide range of property and casualty insurance products to corporations, professional firms and individuals through retailers, wholesalers and program administrators.

Hudson underwrites specialty primary and excess insurance on an admitted basis through Hudson Insurance Company and on a non-admitted basis through Hudson Specialty Insurance Company and Hudson Excess Insurance Company. Hudson Insurance Company is admitted in all U.S. jurisdictions. Hudson has surplus lines eligibility in all U.S. jurisdictions through Hudson Specialty Insurance Company and Hudson Excess Insurance Company.

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