



HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE GROUP REBRANDS ITS INSURANCE COMPANY SUBSIDIARIES

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Houston International Insurance Group (HIIG) announced today the renaming of two of their insurance company subsidiaries effective December 31, 2010.

Imperium Insurance Company (IIC) will be the new name for Delos Insurance Company and **Houston Specialty Insurance Company (HSIC)** will be the new name for Naxos Insurance Company.

IIC based in NYC, is admitted in 50 states and is rated A- (Excellent) by A.M. Best Company. IIC business primarily consists of small and medium size accounts written through non-affiliated underwriting agency partners. IIC also provides fronting for captive programs and reinsurer driven accounts.

HSIC is an authorized surplus line insurer in 48 states and is rated A- (Excellent) by A.M. Best Company. HSIC writes surplus line accounts in conjunction with other HIIG subsidiaries through affiliated and non-affiliated underwriting agency partners. HSIC will also write larger business both domestically and internationally through brokers. HSIC's administrative office will be relocated to Houston, Texas.

Stephen L. Way, Chairman and Chief Executive of HIIG, commented "With increased financial strength and rebranding, our insurance company subsidiaries are ready for a new era of success, while providing increased service and capacity to their partners, producers and clients."

HIIG's other insurer subsidiaries are Great Midwest Insurance Company and National Health Insurance Company, both with home offices in Houston, Texas.

HIIG is an insurance holding company headquartered in Houston, Texas, with property & casualty insurance companies; a life & health insurance company; and underwriting agency subsidiaries. HIIG has more than \$1 billion in total assets; \$625 million in investment assets; and over \$250 million in shareholders' equity.

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