



Torus Expands Global Onshore Energy Team

November, 9, 2009: Torus, the global specialty insurer, continues to build its onshore energy team with the appointments of Onshore Energy Underwriter, Amanda Ewen, and Risk Engineer, Mohammed Hanif. Based in London, each brings extensive global downstream expertise to the existing team and will report to Torus' Head of Global Onshore Energy, Philip Sexton.

Miss Ewen joins Torus from Marsh where she was Vice President of the intermediary's energy practice specifically focusing on oil, gas and petrochemical companies in the Middle East and North African region. Prior to Marsh, Miss Ewen spent seven years at Allianz as a Downstream Energy Underwriter.

Dr. Hanif was most recently at ARM Ltd, the risk management company of United Insurance Brokers (UIB), where he was Principal Risk Engineer. He has also worked at Attock Refinery Ltd, Universal Oil Products, Chemoxy International and British Nuclear Fuels.

Commenting on the new additions to the team, Mr. Sexton said: "Since Torus' inception we have always sought to develop long term relationships with key energy companies and help them manage risk throughout the business cycle. Notwithstanding current global economic constraints, we believe there are great long-term opportunities within the energy industry. Attracting underwriting talent such as Amanda, and Mohammed's engineering expertise, enhances our capabilities to offer the highest levels of service to our clients and their brokers as they seek to take advantage of those opportunities."

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