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Guy Carpenter Named Reinsurance Broker of the Year At 2008 Asia Insurance Industry Awards

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Guy Carpenter & Company, LLC, the leading global risk and reinsurance specialist, has been named Reinsurance Broker of the Year at *Asia Insurance Review* magazine's 2008 Asia Insurance Industry Awards. The award was presented at a ceremony on November 23 at The Grand Hyatt in Hong Kong.

"This award is a gratifying acknowledgment of our strong, longstanding commitment to clients in the Asia Pacific marketplace," said Peter Zaffino, President and CEO of Guy Carpenter. "As the first reinsurance broker to establish a headquarters in Asia, we are committed to continuing to make key investments in this region – both in new resources and groundbreaking solutions – that deliver value to our clients."

"Our localized platform allows us to provide customized solutions to our Asia Pacific clients," added James Nash, CEO of Guy Carpenter's Asia Pacific operations. "Our solid relationships with insurers in the region span decades – for some, more than a century – and result from our deep understanding of their needs."

In 2008, Guy Carpenter extended its award-winning i-aXs® online data management platform to clients in Australia, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, and China. i-aXs enhances portfolio management by helping clients better understand and manage their exposures, convert their data into actionable information, and make more informed decisions.

In addition, Guy Carpenter opened the Asia Pacific Climate Impact Centre at City University of Hong Kong in 2008. The Centre is focused on researching, understanding, and improving the ability to predict climate-related perils across the region. In 2008 Guy Carpenter also developed a Thailand flood model to help clients manage flood exposures.

Guy Carpenter's new intellectual capital website, www.GCCapitalIdeas.com, leverages blog technology, including Real Simple Syndication (RSS) feeds as well as searchable category tags, to deliver Guy Carpenter's latest research as soon as it is posted. In addition, articles can be delivered directly to BlackBerrys and other handheld devices.

About Guy Carpenter

Guy Carpenter & Company, LLC is the world's leading risk and reinsurance specialist and a part of the Marsh & McLennan Companies. With 50 offices worldwide, Guy Carpenter creates and

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executes reinsurance solutions and delivers capital market solutions* for clients across the globe. The firm's full breadth of services includes line of business expertise in Agriculture; Aviation; Casualty Clash; Construction and Engineering; Excess and Umbrella; Life, Accident and Health; Marine; Medical; Political Risk and Trade Credit; Professional Liability; Property; Retrocessional Reinsurance; Surety; Terrorism and Workers Compensation. GCFac® is Guy Carpenter's dedicated global facultative reinsurance unit that provides placement strategies, timely market access and centralized management of facultative reinsurance solutions. In addition, Guy Carpenter's Instrat® unit utilizes industry-leading quantitative skills and modeling tools that optimize the reinsurance decision-making process and help make the firm's clients more successful. Guy Carpenter's website address is www.guycarp.com.

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