

**Media release**

**UAC strengthens New Zealand ties**

The Underwriting Agencies Council has appointed an associate director from New Zealand to the board.

Mike Street is Director, Property & Casualty, with Auckland-based International Underwriting Agencies Ltd (IUA).

He has 40 years' experience in the insurance industry, having started as a trainee broker. He soon moved into the company market and remained there until 2002, when he joined IUA.

In 2009, Mr Street and his wife, Debbie, became major shareholders in the company.

IUA was New Zealand's first agency to join UAC; there are now nine New Zealand-based UAC members.

UAC General Manager William Legge welcomed Mr Street to the board. He said the board represented all UAC members, regardless of where they were domiciled, but with New Zealand membership expanding rapidly, the directors decided it was beneficial to have a New Zealand-based board representative.

"This move will facilitate communications between the board and our New Zealand-based members and UAC is delighted to welcome Mike Street to our governing body," he said.

"As UAC's New Zealand membership grows, and we have more member events there, it is important for us to get direct input from the New Zealand agencies via an associate director."

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