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## Markel names Brendan Falvey Director, Public Entity Product Line, West Region

Richmond, VA, March 12, 2013 — Philip Freda, Managing Director of Markel Corporation's Public Entity Product Line business, announced today that Brendan Falvey joined the team as Director, Public Entity Product Line for the West Region. Brendan is responsible for managing existing West Coast public entity client and broker relationships and developing new property and casualty clients with emphasis on Joint Powers Authority (JPA) and other public entity (PE) pools. He is located in San Francisco, California.

Brendan comes to Markel with over 30 years of property and casualty insurance and reinsurance experience, including more than 15 years of public entity underwriting experience.

Most recently he was with a global reinsurer where he handled property and casualty underwriting, client and broker relationship management, and new business production for individual risk insurance and JPA/PE reinsurance for over eight years.

"Brendan's experience and knowledge is a great addition to the Markel Public Entity team as we expand from a pure casualty market to include property, environmental, cyber liability, buffer-layer workers' comp, and more," commented Philip Freda, Managing Director of Markel's Public Entity Product Line.

Markel's Public Entity expertise and capabilities center around offering excess of loss and quota share reinsurance of pooling arrangements.

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