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THOMCO, a Markel Company, Plans for Medical Transportation Growth

Richmond, VA, Sept. 14, 2012 — THOMCO, a Markel Company, announced today plans to underwrite medical transportation property and casualty insurance with Markel Insurance Company on an admitted basis starting in October 2012 as state filings are approved.

"We understand the important role medical transportation providers play in their communities. We are proud to have a long history protecting these valuable community resources by providing specialized insurance coverage meeting the unique needs of the industry. We have unparalleled underwriting expertise and provide outstanding risk management and loss control advice from industry expert, Mike Szczygiel. Our 115 years of combined underwriting experience in medical transportation gives peace of mind to providers so they can continue to provide support to their families, friends, and neighbors," said THOMCO President, Greg Thompson.

Acquired by Markel in January 2012, THOMCO continues its specialized support to medical transportation operators countrywide. For over 32 years THOMCO has provided the medical transportation industry auto liability, auto physical damage, property, inland marine, and professional and general liability coverage. In addition to the same great coverages provided before, THOMCO has added an improved property extension endorsement, general liability and auto endorsements, and increased excess liability.

"Our specialty producers will retain the same professional underwriting relationships and service levels we have provided to this industry segment for decades. The continuous support our producers and policyholders receive are time tested and unchanged as a Markel company" according to John Clark, Director, Underwriting Production.

"Markel provides financial strength and commitment to specialty insurance for this industry segment," stated Robin Russo, Markel's Executive Underwriting Officer. He added, "The most important support we can provide is underwriting knowledge, specialized coverage, and pricing that will assure medical transportation policyholders stability, excellent claim handling, and insurance availability over time."

About Markel Corporation

Markel Corporation is a diverse financial holding company serving a variety of niche markets. The Company's principal business markets and underwrites specialty insurance products. In each of the Company's businesses, it seeks to provide quality products and excellent customer service so that it can be a market leader. The financial goals of the Company are to earn consistent underwriting and operating profits and superior investment returns to build shareholder value. Visit Markel Corporation on the web at markelcorp.com and THOMCO, a Markel Company, at thomcoins.com.

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