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**Melanie Alexander joins Lloyd's Broker/Coverholder
Shepherd Compello**

Specialist insurance broker Shepherd Compello has today announced that Mel Alexander will be joining the firm as a Director responsible for Lender Protection related products, as well as the development of specialist delegated binding authority business. She takes up the position with immediate effect.

The firm, previously called EPG Insurance Services, launched its rebranded identity, in November 2014 with a strategy to grow both the team and the business in its specialist markets including Physical Damage Insurance, Motor truck Cargo, Extended Warranty and GAP, Marine Cargo, Catastrophe Exposed Commercial Property and High Value Homeowner's Insurance.

With this appointment Shepherd Compello will enter the lender protection market. Classes of business will include; Mortgage Impairment, Lender Placed Property and Real Estate Owned risks.

Mel Alexander has been underwriting and delivering North American property business for over 30 years. Her experience includes working on a delegated basis to in-house binding authorities and facilities where she has drawn upon her extensive contacts and knowledge to provide bespoke solutions. Mel has worked at Nelson Hurst and has been Managing Director at both Arthur J Gallagher and most recently Decus Insurance Brokers Ltd.

John Shepherd, CEO of Shepherd Compello commented:

"I am delighted that Mel is joining the team. We launched Shepherd Compello last November with a commitment to bring a fresh, new approach to the market with the best talent. Mel Alexander is evidence of this commitment. She complements the strengths of the team we have and will help us drive forward into new markets and opportunities."

Mel Alexander, Director added:

“I am excited to be joining Shepherd Compello. It is a business with a family feeling, built on traditional values offering a specialist, individual service to MGAs. These values reflect a real appetite in the market for an independent, niche broker who can offer a service which differentiates us from the big broking houses.”

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Notes to editors:

Shepherd Compello Ltd, is an internationally recognised insurance broker based in the heart of the city of London. Shepherd Compello specialises in a number of classes including Motor Truck Cargo, Marine Cargo, Physical Damage, Extended Warranty and GAP, Catastrophe Exposed Commercial Property, High Value Home Owner’s Insurance and Lender Protection products.

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