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## **Midwest Employers Casualty Company Appoints Tom Lentz Vice President, Chief Financial Officer**

**St. Louis, MO – November 8, 2010** – Midwest Employers Casualty Company (MECC) today announced the appointment of Tom Lentz as vice president, chief financial officer. Mr. Lentz’s responsibilities will include management of MECC’s financial operations. He will also serve on the senior executive leadership team, contributing to the company’s overall strategic direction. The appointment is effective immediately.

MECC’s goal is to be the nation’s premier workers’ compensation excess insurance carrier. In addition to offering quality excess insurance, MECC is committed to helping self-insureds reduce their Total Cost of Risk (TCOR).

“Tom is an important addition to our executive leadership team and brings a wealth of expertise to MECC,” said Melodee Saunders, president. “He has over 25 years of experience managing financial operations in the property-casualty insurance industry, and we believe Tom will be instrumental in helping us achieve our future objectives.”

Prior to joining MECC, Mr. Lentz held CFO and senior financial executive positions with several specialty insurance organizations. He began his career in public accounting with Coopers and Lybrand, now PricewaterhouseCoopers. Mr. Lentz is a certified public accountant and holds both a bachelor’s degree in accounting and a master’s degree in finance from Loyola University Maryland, formerly Loyola College.

### **About Midwest Employers Casualty Company**

MECC is focused on bringing more than insurance to its clients – it is focused on providing solutions to clients that help them manage their Total Cost of Risk. MECC provides services bundled with insurance coverage to help clients achieve best practice performance and improve their bottom line.

Since its formation in 1986, MECC has focused exclusively on providing workers’ compensation excess insurance products to individual employers and groups across the country. For more information on MECC visit our website at [www.mwecc.com](http://www.mwecc.com) and sign up to receive the monthly [MECC Self-Insurance Bulletin](#). MECC is a member company of [W. R Berkley Corporation](#).