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### **EMC INSURANCE COMPANIES HONORED WITH FOUR ACORD AWARDS**

DES MOINES, IOWA (Nov. 15, 2011) — EMC Insurance Companies was honored with four awards at the 2011 ACORD Implementation Forum (AFI) in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on Nov. 3. The Association for Cooperative Operations Research and Development (ACORD) presented EMC with the Property/Casualty & Surety Round Trip of Data Award, Early Adopter – Forms Award and the Property/Casualty & Surety Most Actively Involved with ACORD Award. In addition, EMC received the Commercial Lines Download Award from the ACORD-User Group Information Exchange (AUGIE).

“I congratulate EMC Insurance on winning four 2011 ACORD Awards. They should be applauded for their leadership, their commitment to standards and their ongoing dedication to development and implementation. EMC shows the true value of ACORD standards for our industry,” said Lloyd Chumbley, vice president-standards, ACORD.

“EMC Insurance Companies is proud to be an ACORD member and is committed to implementing agency technology solutions based on the standards, such as real-time round trip rating for businessowners policies,” said Rick Gass, senior vice president of technology at EMC. “We continue to support the broader adoption of ACORD standards and forms within the industry to improve the quality of data exchanged between agencies, carriers and vendors, which ultimately allows our agency partners to provide their customers with superior service.”

#### **About EMC Insurance Companies**

Employers Mutual Casualty Company and its affiliated companies operate under the trade name EMC Insurance Companies, providing property and casualty insurance products and services throughout the United States and writes reinsurance contracts worldwide. For 100 years, customers have come to *Count on EMC*® for comprehensive protection, superior service and financial stability. EMC Insurance Companies provides exemplary local service in underwriting, claims, marketing and loss control through 16 branch offices and 5 service offices across the country. The company ranks among the top 60 insurance organizations in the country, based on written premium, and has assets of approximately \$3 billion and more than 2,100 employees. For more information, visit [www.emcins.com](http://www.emcins.com).

#### **About ACORD**

ACORD (Association for Cooperative Operations Research and Development) is a global, nonprofit standards development organization serving the insurance industry and related financial services industries. ACORD’s mission is to facilitate the development of open consensus data standards and standard forms. ACORD members include hundreds of insurance and reinsurance companies, agents and brokers, software providers and industry associations worldwide. ACORD works with these organizations towards a goal of improved data communication across diverse platforms through implementation of standards. For more information, visit [www.acord.org](http://www.acord.org).

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