

EPIC Insurance Adds Jim Hughes as Vice President and Managing Consultant of Loss Control

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Sept. 13, 2016 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – EPIC Insurance Brokers and Consultants, a retail property, casualty insurance brokerage and employee benefits consultant, announced today that Jim Hughes has joined the firm as a vice president and the Managing Consultant of Loss Control Services in their National Construction Specialty Group.



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Hughes will be focused on Bay Area and Sacramento offices as well as clients nationally. He will report to Brian McDonnell, managing principal of EPIC's National Construction Specialty Group.

"We are fortunate to have an expert of Jim's caliber join our team and support our clients," said McDonnell.

Hughes joins from Wells Fargo Insurance Services where he was vice president, risk control services. Hughes brings 40 years of experience in the loss prevention field to his role with EPIC. In his role with EPIC, he will be responsible for developing and implementing strong loss prevention programs, helping clients navigate the system when they have a claim and managing overall safety within these organizations.

Prior to joining EPIC, Hughes was with ABD since 2001 which was acquired by Wells Fargo in 2007. While with Wells Fargo, Hughes was responsible for partnering with clients to mitigate and manage their losses. He developed practical solutions for clients including, safety program evaluations and development, construction site and industrial facility inspections and surveys and ergonomic assessments.

Previously, Hughes held the positions with Marsh and McLennan in San Francisco as a vice president and senior managing consultant and in 1993 was promoted to manager of the Western Region of M&M Protection Consultants, Marsh's technical arm.

Hughes has served as director of risk and safety for a major Bay Area engineering and construction construction firm and as chief safety engineer representing the city and county of Denver's OCIP insuring construction of the Denver International Airport. He was also the director of BART Construction Insurance Administrators during the \$1.4 billion construction of the BART extension project to San Francisco Airport. Most recently, Hughes led client loss control and safety services on the Sacramento Kings Arena, another multi-phase construction project which also includes retail, condominiums, office space and a 16-story hotel.

"Jim has made a significant impact throughout his career in the construction insurance industry, and we look forward to the positive impact he will have on our clients," said Tom O'Neil, western region president.

Hughes earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, New Jersey. He is a professional member of the American Society of Safety Engineers and has earned the professional designation Certified Safety and Health Manager (CSHM). Hughes is a certified OSHA Construction Outreach 10 and 30 hour instructor. He serves on the Board of trustees and faculty of the non-profit Safety Center of California and has been active in the Center's fund raising activities for over 25 years.

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EPIC now has more than 850 team members operating from offices across the U.S., providing Property Casualty, Employee Benefits, Specialty Programs and Private Client solutions to more than 13,000 clients.

With more than \$200 million in revenues, EPIC ranks among the top 20 retail insurance brokers in the United States. Supported by the Carlyle Group, the company continues to expand organically and through strategic acquisitions across the country. For additional information, please visit <http://www.epicbrokers.com/>.

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