

Media Information

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About Ecclesiastical

A unique financial services company

Dedicated niche insurer:

- Committed to providing protection for those whose priorities lie in supporting their communities and the environment
- 11th biggest commercial property insurer*
- Focus on charity, care home, education and heritage niches
- 75% of general business in the UK through brokers
- Independent research has shown that brokers rate us the best insurer for care, charity, school and heritage business**
- First company to provide a dedicated commercial heritage product
- Leading insurer of Anglican Churches as well as churches of other denominations
- Wedding, home and travel insurance provider to the general market

Specialist financial services provider:

- Provides tailor-made financial advice to the clergy
- A range of ethically-screened 'Amity' investment funds sold through IFA's and direct
- Offers a range of savings and investment, protection, pensions, life assurance and mortgage products through a Multi-tie arrangement

Company structure

- Head office in Gloucestershire with more than 900 staff throughout the UK
- Six regional UK underwriting centres and operations in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and the Republic of Ireland servicing our commercial insurance business
- Dedicated schemes department
- Nationwide network of Insurance and Financial Services Consultants

2007 Results at a glance:

(2006 results in brackets)

Gross written premiums
£386.9m (£403m)

Underwriting Result
£6.7m loss (£27.0m profit)

Pre-tax Profit
£35.6m (£77.1m)

Combined Ratio
102.9% (88.5%)

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Emphasis on service

- Nominated for industry claims service awards three times in the past four years
- Winners of the 2007 'Marketing Initiative of the Year' award at the British Insurance Awards for a product and service specifically designed with commercial heritage properties in mind
- Investment funds have won awards from Lipper and Standard & Poor's

Positive growth

- Commitment to UK property and liability market with strong and growing presences in charity, school, care home and church niche insurance markets
- Growing and innovative range of financial services offerings

Financially strong

- A- Outlook Positive – Standard & Poor's
- A Excellent – AM Best
- BS EN ISO 9001:2000

Deep-rooted ethical heritage

- Founded in 1887 to provide insurance services to the Anglican Church – more than a century's experience in protecting churches
- A strong tradition of focusing on customers' needs, with a caring, honest and fair approach
- National charitable partner of The Children's Society – supporting them through sponsorship, fundraising and volunteering
- Owned by a registered charity
- One of the UK's top 20 corporate donors***

*Post Magazine, 14th September 2006

** Independent research carried out Nov 2007. Among a group of 250 brokers.

***According to The Guide to UK Company Giving 2007, published by the Directory of Social Change.

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