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Erie Indemnity Company names Chief Financial Officer

Interim CFO Gregory Gutting officially assumes role; Julie Pelkowski named controller

ERIE, Pa., July 27, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Erie Indemnity Company (NASDAQ: ERIE) has appointed Gregory Gutting executive vice president and chief financial officer. Gutting has served as interim CFO since October 2015. In addition, Julie Pelkowski, who has been serving as interim controller since Gutting's appointment in October, was officially named senior vice president and controller. Both begin their permanent roles on Aug. 1, 2016.



Gutting joined ERIE in 1985 as a corporate accountant. He was named an assistant vice president in 2001 and joined the Corporate Financial Planning Department in 2004 as a senior corporate financial planning analyst II. He became senior vice president of the Controller Division in 2009. Gutting earned his bachelor's degree in accounting from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He became a Certified Public Accountant in 2013 and a Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter in 2015.

Pelkowski joined ERIE in 1998 as an internal auditor after starting her career at Deloitte & Touche in Pittsburgh. She moved through financial accounting roles with increasing responsibility, most recently as vice president, Financial Reporting, until her appointment as interim controller in 2015.

Pelkowski holds a B.A. in accounting from Clarion University. She is a Certified Public Accountant and is a member of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

According to A.M. Best Company, Erie Insurance Group, based in Erie, Pennsylvania, is the 10th largest homeowners insurer and 12th largest automobile insurer in the United States based on direct premiums written and the 15th largest property/casualty insurer in the United States based on total lines net premium written. The Group, rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best Company, has more than 5 million policies in force and operates in 12 states and the District of Columbia. Erie Insurance Group is a FORTUNE 500 company, a Barron's 500 company and has been recognized by Forbes as one of

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