

Swiss Re to sell M&G Re America to Toa Re

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Swiss Reinsurance Company has signed a definitive agreement to sell The Mercantile and General Reinsurance Company of America to The Toa Fire and Marine Reinsurance Co., Ltd.

The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals in the USA and Japan and is expected to close later this year. The price to be paid by Toa corresponds to the net asset value of M&G Re America.

M&G Re America was a subsidiary of The Mercantile and General Reinsurance Company plc, which Swiss Re acquired in December last year. M&G Re America transacts property and casualty business mainly through reinsurance brokers and wrote net premiums of USD 71 million in 1996. The sale of M&G Re America is in line with Swiss Re's strategy in the USA to focus on business written direct with insurance companies.

M&G Re America will change its name to reflect its new ownership.

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