



Slide Insurance Expands Homeowners Coverage to California

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Launches excess and surplus (E&S) lines program to address shrinking insurance market, leveraging recognized expertise as a leading coastal specialty insurer

TAMPA, Fla., May 04, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Slide Insurance Holdings, Inc. ("Slide" or the "Company") (NASDAQ: SLDE) today announced its expansion into California, launching a residential property excess and surplus (E&S) lines program and writing its first policy in the state.

Slide's entry into California comes at a critical time for the state, as several major carriers have reduced their presence or exited entirely, leaving property owners facing canceled policies and limited coverage options. With Slide's arrival, California homeowners and landlords will benefit from the Company's expertise in underwriting catastrophe-exposed markets, supported by strong capitalization and a focus on long-term stability.

"We are proud to have successfully entered the California market, consistent with our strategic timeline," said Bruce Lucas, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Slide. "This milestone reflects our disciplined approach to expansion and our ability to bring much-needed capacity to markets where homeowners are underserved. California homeowners and landlords deserve reliable, customized insurance solutions, and our underwriting expertise and financial strength position us to deliver that stability."

**Slide Specialty Insurance Company is a surplus lines insurer and is not licensed or admitted by the California Department of Insurance. Insurance coverage for California risks is available only through a properly licensed California surplus lines broker and is subject to all policy terms, conditions, limitations, exclusions, and underwriting approvals.*

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Statements in this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements that are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events and results to differ materially from those discussed herein. In some cases, you can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as "may," "might," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "aim," "estimates," "predicts," "potential" or "continue," the negative of these terms and other comparable terminology and relate, without limitation, to the Company's beliefs and expectations regarding the Company's projections of future financial performance including net margins and its share repurchase program and its ability to increase return on equity and build long-term value for shareholders. These statements are only predictions based on Slide's current expectations and projections about future events and are not guarantees of actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements. Although Slide believes the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, there are important factors that could cause the Company's actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to differ materially from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements, including, among others, our limited operating history; the success of the Company's underwriting and profitability initiatives; inflation and other changes in economic conditions (including changes in interest rates and financial and real estate markets), including changes that may impact demand for our products and our operations; lack of effectiveness of exclusions and loss limitation methods in the insurance policies we assume or write; inherent uncertainty of our models and our reliance on such models as a tool to evaluate risk; the impact of macroeconomic conditions, including declining consumer confidence, inflation, high unemployment and the threat of recession; the impact of new federal and state regulations that affect the property and casualty insurance market and our failure to meet increased regulatory requirements, including minimum capital and surplus requirements; the cost of reinsurance, the collectability of reinsurance and our ability to obtain reinsurance coverage on terms and at a cost acceptable to us; assessments charged by various governmental agencies; pricing competition and other initiatives by competitors; our ability to obtain regulatory approval for requested rate changes, and the timing thereof; legislative and regulatory developments; the outcome of litigation pending against us, including the terms of any settlements; risks related to the nature of our business; performance of our investment portfolio; the adequacy of our liability for losses and loss adjustment expense; ratings by industry services; catastrophe losses; reliance on key personnel; weather conditions (including the severity and frequency of storms, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires and hail); acts of war and terrorist activities; court decisions and trends in litigation; and other matters described from time to time by us in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Any forward-looking statement made by Slide in this press release speak only as of the date on which it is made. Slide undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, actual results, revised expectations or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

About Slide

Slide is a technology-enabled insurance company that makes it easy for homeowners to choose the right coverage for their unique needs and budgets. Slide's cutting-edge technology leverages artificial intelligence and big data to optimize and streamline every part of the insurance process. Based in Tampa, Fla., Slide was founded by Bruce and Shannon Lucas, insurance insiders with a

deep understanding of how technology can be applied to achieve better underwriting outcomes. For more information, please visit <https://www.slideinsurance.com>.

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