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ACCIDENT FUND UNVEILS DESIGN FOR NEW NATIONAL CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS

Transformation of Lansing Board of Water & Light's Ottawa Street Station Project a Catalyst for Revitalized Downtown and Lansing

LANSING, Mich. – Accident Fund Insurance Company of America, downtown Lansing's largest private-sector employer, today unveiled detailed plans for its new corporate home in the next step of its planned transformation of the Lansing Board of Water & Light's Ottawa Street Station power plant into its national headquarters.

"We are proud to be a part of the transformation of this magnificent building and the future development of downtown Lansing," said Elizabeth R. Haar, president and CEO, Accident Fund. "We can't wait to share this exceptional new home with our employees, customers, business partners and the entire Mid-Michigan community."

Joined by Daniel J. Loepp, president and CEO, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero and Steven Roznowski, president and CEO, The Christman Company, Haar presented today new renderings, an architectural scale model and a 3D video "fly-through" of the unique, 333,000 square foot future headquarters, which will be highlighted by five key elements: the atrium, top floor meeting room, café/gathering space, wellness area and cutting edge technology.

The four-story atrium will serve as the connecting feature between the refurbished Ottawa Street Station property and the building's new addition. Glass ceilings will provide unique views of the station tower from nearly every angle, and allow employees and visitors access to both areas of the campus without having to travel outside.

The building's interior will amply represent Accident Fund's place as a national industry leader, reflecting the organization's significant volume, stature and expertise. Housed on one of the building's top floors will be meeting space equipped with cutting-edge technology and multimedia capabilities for customer presentations and other business functions.

To add vibrancy to the riverfront, space is set aside to beckon people outdoors. Located on the lower level of the new addition and extending into the atrium, the café and gathering space will feature an outdoor patio offering employees the opportunity to dine al fresco when weather permits.

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Helping its employees stay healthy and lowering health costs is a commitment by Accident Fund that will continue in its new location. The new headquarters will incorporate a wellness space large and flexible enough to adequately house the program as it evolves.

In a continuing effort to provide the best and most efficient service to customers, overall use of technology at the Accident Fund campus will be vastly improved, including wireless accessibility throughout. Expanded technical capabilities in training and conference rooms will provide employees and visitors with ample meeting and education space, with all meeting rooms equipped with identical, standardized high-tech features.

Construction on Accident Fund's new seven-acre campus, including the development of a 1,000-car parking structure, will begin in 2009 and is expected to be completed by mid-2011. Upon completion of the project, Accident Fund will pursue a listing for its new headquarters on the National Register of Historic Places and also LEED™ (Leadership on Energy Efficient Design) certification by the U.S. Green Building Council.

Headquartered in Lansing, Michigan, Accident Fund Insurance Company of America is one of the nation's leading workers compensation insurers with more than \$3 billion in assets. Founded in 1912, Accident Fund is rated "A" (Excellent) by A.M. Best and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Accident Fund Insurance Company of America and its subsidiaries (Accident Fund National, Accident Fund General, United Wisconsin Insurance Company and CompWest) are licensed in 48 states plus the District of Columbia. More information can be found at www.accidentfund.com.*

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