

## LANCASHIRE HOLDINGS LIMITED

20 October 2014  
London, UK

### Transaction in own shares

Lancashire Holdings Limited (the "Company") announces that today, 20 October 2014, it purchased 4,244 Common Shares at a price of 628.50 pence per share (approximately \$10.14 per share at the current exchange rate).

The lowest price and the highest price paid for these shares were 628.5 pence and 628.5 pence, respectively. All the purchased shares will be held initially as Treasury shares. The Company expects to use the shares in the future towards satisfying its obligations under both its Restricted Share Scheme ("RSS") awards and the Company's warrants.

As announced on 03 October 2014, these purchases were made by Numis Securities Limited pursuant to an irrevocable arrangement to repurchase on the Company's behalf and within certain pre-set parameters Common Shares of US\$0.50 each up to an aggregate value, including costs, of \$25 million. This arrangement is in accordance with Rules 12.2.1R and 12.4.4R of the Listing Rules and the Company's general authority to repurchase shares.

Following the above purchases, the Company holds 3,126,958 Common Shares in Treasury.

The Company has 188,985,640 Common Shares in issue (excluding Treasury shares).

The above figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the Company under the Financial Conduct Authority's Disclosure Rules and Transparency Rules.

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#### About Lancashire

Lancashire, through its UK and Bermuda-based operating subsidiaries, is a global provider of specialty insurance and reinsurance products. The Group companies carry the following ratings:

	<b>Financial Strength Rating</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>Financial Strength Outlook</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>Long Term Issuer Rating</b> <sup>(2)</sup>
A.M. Best	A (Excellent)	Stable	bbb
Standard & Poor's	A-	Stable	BBB
Moody's	A3	Stable	Baa2

<sup>(1)</sup>Financial Strength Rating and Financial Strength Outlook apply to Lancashire Insurance Company Limited and Lancashire Insurance Company (UK) Limited.

<sup>(2)</sup> Long Term Issuer Rating applies to Lancashire Holdings Limited.

Cathedral benefits from Lloyd's ratings: A.M. Best: A (Excellent); Standard & Poor's: A+ (Strong); and Fitch: AA- (Very Strong).

Lancashire has capital in excess of \$1.5 billion and its common shares trade on the premium segment of the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol LRE. Lancashire has its corporate headquarters and mailing address at 29<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20 Fenchurch Street, London EC3M 3BY, United Kingdom and its registered office at Power House, 7 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda.

For more information on Lancashire and Lancashire's subsidiary and Lloyd's segment, Cathedral Capital Limited ("Cathedral"), visit the Company's website at [www.lancashiregroup.com](http://www.lancashiregroup.com)

Lancashire Insurance Company Limited is regulated by the Bermuda Monetary Authority in Bermuda.

Lancashire Insurance Company (UK) Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority in the UK.

Kinesis Capital Management Limited is regulated by the Bermuda Monetary Authority in Bermuda.

Cathedral Underwriting Limited is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority in the UK.

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