

Heritage Insurance Holdings Reports Financial Results for Second Quarter of 2014

CLEARWATER, Fla., Aug. 4, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Heritage Insurance Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:HRTG) (Heritage or the Company), a property and casualty insurance holding company, today reported its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2014.

Second Quarter Highlights

- 22% increase in policy count to 171,000 policies
- Year-to-date gross premiums written of \$168.2 million
- Year-to-date net income of \$17.5 million
- Combined ratio of 79.9% for the quarter and 81.6% year-to-date
- Completed initial public offering and concurrent private placement on May 29, 2014
- Completed the acquisition of 33,000 policies from Sunshine State Insurance Company
- Completed the placement of 2014 reinsurance program, including \$200 million of catastrophe bonds issued by Citrus Re Ltd (an unrelated party)
- Began commercial residential operations

Bruce Lucas, the Company's Chairman and CEO, said "I am extremely proud of what we accomplished during the second quarter. We successfully completed two catastrophe bond transactions, closed our IPO, launched our commercial residential program, and completed our acquisition of Sunshine State Insurance policies. Additionally, we improved on our first quarter results by increasing gross written premium by \$30.4 million, increasing net income by 21.3%, and lowering our loss ratio by almost 4 points. We have positioned Heritage for a great future."

Results of Operations

The following table summarizes our results of operations for the three months ended June 30, 2014, March 31, 2014 and June 30, 2013 and for the six months ended June 30, 2014 and 2013 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	<u>Three Months Ended</u>			<u>Six Months Ended</u>	
	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>March 31, 2014</u>	<u>June 30, 2013</u>	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>June 30, 2013</u>
Operating Revenue					
Gross premiums written	\$ 99,269	\$ 68,903	\$ 81,049	\$ 168,172	\$ 97,398
Gross premiums earned	\$ 64,125	\$ 60,860	\$ 28,040	\$ 124,985	\$ 48,365
Premiums ceded	\$ (19,830)	\$ (18,624)	\$ (6,416)	\$ (38,454)	\$ (6,774)
Net premiums earned	\$ 44,295	\$ 42,236	\$ 21,624	\$ 86,531	\$ 41,591
Retroactive reinsurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,072	\$ -	\$ 26,072
Total operating revenue	\$ 46,539	\$ 43,878	\$ 48,601	\$ 90,417	\$ 68,943
Income before income taxes	\$ 15,110	\$ 11,821	\$ 34,281	\$ 26,931	\$ 45,235
Net income	\$ 9,566	\$ 7,888	\$ 21,018	\$ 17,454	\$ 28,073
Per Share Data:					
Book value per share	\$ 7.44	\$ 6.73	\$ 5.93	\$ 7.44	\$ 5.93
Earnings per diluted share	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.42	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.80	\$ 2.16
Return on average equity	23.1%	29.9%	107.8%	21.6%	95.9%
Ratios to Gross Premiums Earned:					
Ceded premium ratio	30.9%	30.6%	22.9%	30.8%	14.0%
Loss Ratio	30.0%	33.8%	28.1%	31.9%	27.2%
Expense Ratio	19.0%	18.8%	23.0%	18.9%	21.8%
Combined Ratio	79.9%	83.3%	73.9%	81.6%	63.0%
Ratios to Net Premiums Earned:					
Loss Ratio	43.4%	48.7%	36.4%	46.0%	31.6%
Expense Ratio	27.5%	27.2%	29.8%	27.3%	25.4%
Combined Ratio	71.0%	75.9%	66.2%	73.4%	57.0%

Quarterly Financial Results

Revenues and net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2014 increased compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2014, but decreased compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2013. The increase over the first quarter of 2014 is due to continued growth of policies renewed and written during 2014. The decrease compared to the second quarter of 2013 is due to non-recurring retroactive reinsurance revenue in the second quarter of 2013 and during the second quarter of 2013 premiums ceded being significantly less as a percentage of gross earned premiums due to start-up nature of the company in early 2013, partially offset by significantly lower gross earned premiums in the second quarter of 2013 as compared to the second quarter of 2014.

The Company's gross premiums written for the second quarter of 2014 increased by \$30.4 million, or 44.1%, over the prior quarter. Gross premiums written for the second quarter of 2014 and the first quarter of 2014, respectively, were \$99.3 million and \$68.9 million. During the second quarter, we completed the acquisition of approximately 33,000 policies from Sunshine State Insurance Company (SSIC), following SSIC's receivership. This acquisition resulted in assumed premiums written of \$29.3 million, representing the unearned premiums on the policies acquired, at the time of the acquisition. The policies Heritage assumed from SSIC represent approximately \$59 million of annual premium.

Below is a table showing the sources of gross premiums written. Direct premiums written for the quarter ended June 30, 2014 increased by 36.4% over the first quarter, 2014.

Gross Premiums Written

	<i>Three Months Ended</i>		
	<i>June 30, 2014</i>	<i>March 31, 2014</i>	<i>June 30, 2013</i>
	<i>(In thousands)</i>		
Voluntary Premium	\$ 10,434	\$ 7,054	\$ 4,585
Assumed Renewal Premium	60,638	45,046	23,602
Total Direct Premiums Written	<u>71,072</u>	<u>52,100</u>	<u>28,187</u>
Citizens Assumed Premium	(1,079)	16,803	52,862
SSIC Assumed Premium	29,276	-	-
Total Assumed Premiums Written	<u>28,197</u>	<u>16,803</u>	<u>52,862</u>
Total Gross Premiums Written	<u>\$ 99,269</u>	<u>\$ 68,903</u>	<u>\$ 81,049</u>

Gross premiums earned were \$64.1 million for the second quarter of 2014 compared to \$60.9 million for the previous quarter. Gross premiums earned from the SSIC transaction during the four days following the effective date of June 27 were \$600,000.

Ceded premiums as a percentage of gross premiums earned were 30.9% for the second quarter of 2014 compared to the first quarter 2014 ratio of 30.6%.

The loss ratio on a gross basis improved to 30.0% in the second quarter of 2014 from 33.8% in the first quarter 2014. For the six month ended June 30, 2014, the loss ratio was 31.9%.

The Company's expense ratio on a gross basis was 19.0% for the second quarter of 2014 compared to 18.8% for the first quarter, 2014.

Overall, Heritage's combined ratio on a gross basis was 79.9% for the second quarter of 2014 compared to 83.3% for the first quarter of 2014, with a year-to-date combined ratio of 81.6%.

Book Value Analysis

Book value per share increased 10.5% during the second quarter of 2014. In May, 2014, the Company completed its initial public offering, a concurrent private placement and the issuance of common stock associated with the exercise of warrants. The net proceeds from these activities totaled approximately \$101.1 million in exchange for 13,431,610 shares of common stock issued, or \$7.53 per share. Total comprehensive income for the second quarter would have increased the book value per share at March 31, 2014 by \$0.69 to \$7.42.

	<i>As Of</i>		
	<i>June 30, 2014</i>	<i>March 31, 2014</i>	<i>December 31, 2013</i>
Book Value Per Share			
Numerator:			
Common stockholders' equity	<u>\$221,607</u>	<u>\$110,141</u>	<u>\$79,984</u>
Denominator:			

Total Shares Outstanding	29,794,960	16,363,350	14,007,150
Book Value Per Common Share	<u>\$7.44</u>	<u>\$6.73</u>	<u>\$5.71</u>

Conference Call Details:

Date and Time: August 5, 2014 – 10:00 A.M. ET

Participant Dial-in:

(United States): 1-877-870-4263

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Website: To listen to the live webcast, please go to <http://www.videonewswire.com/event.asp?id=100065>. This webcast will be archived and accessible on the Company's website for approximately 30 days following the call.

About Heritage

Heritage Insurance Holdings, Inc. is a property and casualty insurance holding company headquartered in Clearwater, Florida that began operations in August 2012. Through its subsidiary, Heritage Property & Casualty Insurance Company, it provides personal residential insurance for single-family homeowners and condominium owners, and commercial residential insurance in Florida through a large network of experienced agents. Heritage is led by an experienced senior management team with an average of 26 years of insurance industry experience.

Forward-Looking Statements

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. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, words such as "may," "will," "expect," "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "could," "would," "estimate," "or "continue" or the other negative variations thereof or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ from those expressed or implied herein include, without limitation, the success of the Company's marketing initiatives, inflation and other changes in economic conditions (including changes in interest rates and financial markets); the impact of new federal and state regulations that affect the property and casualty insurance market; the costs of reinsurance and the collectability of reinsurance, 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; dependence on investment income and the composition of our investment portfolio; the adequacy of our liability for losses and loss adjustment expense; insurance agents; claims experience; ratings by industry services; catastrophe losses; reliance on key personnel; weather conditions (including the severity and frequency of storms, hurricanes, tornadoes and hail); changes in loss trends; 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, including, but not limited to, the Company's Prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 27, 2014. In addition, investors should be aware that generally accepted accounting principles prescribe when a company may reserve for particular risks, including litigation exposures. Accordingly, results for a given reporting period could be significantly affected if and when a reserve is established for a major contingency. Reported results may therefore, appear to be volatile in certain accounting periods. The Company undertakes no obligations to update, change or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, additional or subsequent developments or otherwise.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet In thousands, except share and per share amounts

	<u>June 30, 2014</u>	<u>December 31, 2013</u>
	<i>(unaudited)</i>	
ASSETS		
Fixed maturity securities, available for sale, at fair value (amortized cost of \$132,132 and \$105,955 in 2014 and 2013, respectively)	\$ 133,417	\$ 104,668

Equity securities, available for sale, at fair value (cost of \$15,174 and \$25,446 in 2014 and 2013, respectively)	17,538	25,446
Mortgage loan, held to maturity, at amortized cost	6,021	6,063
Total investments	156,976	136,177
Cash and cash equivalents	182,116	65,059
Accrued investment income	1,331	971
Premiums receivable, net	43,432	10,347
Prepaid reinsurance premiums	87,264	31,252
Reinsurance premiums receivable	-	5,337
Income taxes receivable	10,255	5,073
Deferred income taxes	-	4,436
Deferred policy acquisition costs, net	25,392	9,765
Property and equipment, net	13,768	10,935
Other assets	5,297	2,626
Total Assets	\$ 525,831	\$ 281,978
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Unpaid losses and loss adjustment expenses	\$ 34,533	\$ 19,344
Unearned premiums	159,430	116,243
Reinsurance payable	81,373	29,591
Income taxes payable	2,348	2,805
Deferred income taxes	3,326	-
Accrued compensation	3,144	505
Advance premiums	7,905	3,829
Other liabilities	12,165	8,756
Total Liabilities	304,224	181,073
Commitments and contingencies	-	-
Redeemable shares	-	20,921
Stockholders' Equity		
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 50,000,000 shares authorized, 29,794,960 and 14,007,150 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively	3	1
Additional paid-in capital	183,984	62,849
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	2,242	(790)
Retained earnings	35,378	17,924
Total Stockholders' Equity	221,607	79,984
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 525,831	\$ 281,978

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
In thousands, except share and per share amounts

	<i>Three Months Ended June 30,</i>		<i>Six Months Ended June 30,</i>	
	<i>2014</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2013</i>
REVENUE:				
Gross premiums written	\$ 99,269	\$ 81,049	\$ 168,172	\$ 97,398
Increase in gross unearned premiums	(35,144)	(53,009)	(43,187)	(49,033)
Gross premiums earned	64,125	28,040	124,985	48,365
Ceded premiums	(19,830)	(6,416)	(38,454)	(6,774)
Net premiums earned	44,295	21,624	86,531	41,591
Retroactive reinsurance	-	26,072	-	26,072
Net investment income	719	124	1,337	335
Net realized gains (losses)	24	(46)	(18)	(48)
Other revenue	1,501	827	2,567	993
Total revenue	46,539	48,601	90,417	68,943
EXPENSES:				

Losses and loss adjustment expenses	19,244	7,870	39,831	13,148
Policy acquisition costs	6,384	865	10,857	982
General and administrative expenses	5,801	5,579	12,798	9,567
Interest expense	-	6	-	11
Total expenses	<u>31,429</u>	<u>14,320</u>	<u>63,486</u>	<u>23,708</u>
Income before income taxes	<u>15,110</u>	<u>34,281</u>	<u>26,931</u>	<u>45,235</u>
Provision for income taxes	5,544	13,263	9,477	17,162
Net income	<u>\$ 9,566</u>	<u>\$ 21,018</u>	<u>\$ 17,454</u>	<u>\$ 28,073</u>
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:				
Change in net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	\$ 2,908	\$ (1,811)	\$ 4,918	\$ (1,817)
Reclassification adjustment for net realized investment losses	(24)	46	18	48
Income tax expense related to items of other comprehensive income	(1,112)	681	(1,904)	682
Total comprehensive income	<u>\$ 11,338</u>	<u>\$ 19,934</u>	<u>\$ 20,486</u>	<u>\$ 26,986</u>
Weighted average shares outstanding				
Basic	22,119,754	15,203,100	19,256,172	12,983,525
Diluted	<u>24,333,476</u>	<u>15,203,100</u>	<u>21,684,230</u>	<u>12,983,525</u>
Earnings per share				
Basic	\$ 0.43	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.91	\$ 2.16
Diluted	\$ 0.39	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.80	\$ 2.16

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