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**Crawford & Company® (Canada) Inc.'s Global Technical Services (GTS®) Strengthens Team with Industry-Recognized Marine Professionals**

**TORONTO (April 2, 2015)** – Pat Van Bakel, president and chief executive officer of Crawford & Company (Canada) Inc. announced today the addition of Mark Thompson, Joseph Trudeau and Jason Trudeau to the Company's Global Technical Services (GTS®) team. The appointment of these well-established, industry-recognized professionals enhances the Company's marine services capabilities within the domestic and Lloyd's markets. Reporting to Paul Hancock, vice president, GTS Canada, Thompson and the Trudeaus account for the most recent additions to Crawford Canada's existing high-performing GTS team.

Crawford's Global Technical Services division has made considerable strides in expanding its service offerings and scope within the Canadian and international markets. As an organization it continues to strengthen its position in the specialty and complex loss markets through effective talent management and the development of market-leading, solution-based service offerings.

"Mark and the Trudeaus' possess a wealth of knowledge and experience in the realm of marine surveying, appraisals, hull and cargo losses, and environmental spills" said Hancock. "Their extensive expertise and strong reputation within the industry as knowledgeable, reliable and service-oriented professionals will certainly serve to complement and enhance the capabilities of our existing GTS team."

**Mark Thompson, B.A. (Hons), Dip MAR Surv - Senior Marine Surveyor**

Thompson has been a loss adjuster since 1992 specializing in marine losses. Prior to that, he served 20 years at sea, raising in the ranks to the position of warship command in the Royal Navy. As a result of his extensive professional career, Thompson is well versed in handling matters associated with marine

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accident reconstruction and the application of collision regulations, as well as possessing considerable insight into marine systems. Complementary to his professional career, Thompson holds a diploma in Marine Surveying from Lloyd's Maritime Academy and is recognized as a Lloyd's Claims and Recoveries Agent.

**Joseph Trudeau - Senior Marine Surveyor**

Having commenced his career in the marine vessel repair and construction field, Joseph Trudeau moved on to apply his knowledge to the loss adjusting realm as a marine surveyor conducting valuation surveys, damage appraisals and investigations. From 1986 onward, Trudeau worked as a marine surveyor for a large, national independent adjusting firm.

**Jason Trudeau – Marine Surveyor**

Jason Trudeau has worked within the boating and marine industry since 1993, and for the last 20 years has been a marine surveyor and appraiser. As an expert in this field, he specializes in condition and valuation surveys, damage appraisals (both mechanical and structural), as well as wreck removal.

**About Crawford**

[Crawford & Company \(Canada\) Inc.](#) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Crawford & Company. Based in Atlanta, Ga., [Crawford & Company](#) is the world's largest independent provider of claims management solutions to the risk management and insurance industry as well as self-insured entities, with an expansive global network serving clients in more than 70 countries. The Crawford Solution<sup>SM</sup> offers comprehensive, integrated claims services, business process outsourcing and consulting services for major product lines including property and casualty claims management, workers compensation claims and medical management, and legal settlement administration. The Company's shares are traded on the NYSE under the symbols CRDA and CRDB.

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