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Security Mutual Announces the Promotion of Scott A. Sylvester

We are very pleased to announce the promotion of Scott A. Sylvester to Senior Vice President, Chief Information Officer. This promotion reflects his outstanding leadership and performance in a most critical role for the Company—Information Technology.

In his role, Scott will be responsible for defining the strategic direction of all information processing and communication systems and operations, information and data integrity, and all information/technology functions of the Company. This includes the data center, communication networks (voice and data), program development, computer systems operations, production scheduling, help desk and data/systems recovery. He will also be responsible for maintaining the integrity of all electronic books and records of the Company.

Scott will continue to report directly to Rick Wortman.

Scott joined Security Mutual in 2002 as a Senior Software Development Team Leader in the Information Technology Department, bringing more than 20 years of software development experience to the Company. In 2007, he was promoted to Assistant Vice President, Web-Based Product Development, where he was responsible for leading and managing internal and external web-based software products across the Company's lines of business, in addition to providing architectural guidance in developing software solutions. In October 2009, Scott was promoted to Second Vice President, Systems Architect, serving as the development manager for software, systems, and information technology operations. Scott was promoted to Vice President, Chief Technology Officer in February 2013, working with team members to refine the Company technical strategy, set technology direction, drive technical readiness and quality assurance, and deliver excellence to our internal and external customers.

Prior to joining Security Mutual, Scott earned five Outstanding Technical Achievement awards for various software projects, as well as five patents from the United States Patent and Trademark Office for software inventions. Scott graduated with high honors from Binghamton University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science/Information Science, as well as a Business Certificate.

Please join us in congratulating Scott on his promotion and continued success in his career with Security Mutual.

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and Chief Executive Officer

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