

# **FAIRFAX** *News Release*

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## **FAIRFAX INCREASES LETTER OF CREDIT FACILITY**

Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited announces that the syndicated secured revolving letter of credit facility entered into by a wholly-owned subsidiary in December 2003 has been increased from US\$300 million to US\$450 million.

The facility is syndicated with 11 banks and is used to provide NAIC-eligible letters of credit for reinsurance contracts of nSpire Re provided for the benefit of other Fairfax subsidiaries. BMO Nesbitt Burns, Inc. acted as Lead Arranger in connection with the increase of this facility.

Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited is a financial services holding company which, through its subsidiaries, is engaged in property, casualty and life insurance and reinsurance, investment management and insurance claims management.

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