



SKCG Group Merges With AssuredPartners

*Deal Provides SKCG With Enhanced Resources,
Firm's Name and Operations Remain Unchanged*

White Plains, NY – December 6, 2011 – SKCG Group, one of the largest privately-held insurance and risk management advisory firms in the country, has announced that it has been acquired by AssuredPartners, Inc., a portfolio company of the Chicago-based private equity firm GTCR. As part of the acquisition, AssuredPartners will provide SKCG with strategic and financial resources while leaving the company's day-to-day operations unchanged. The company's name, location, and staff will also remain the same.

"This transition will be seamless to our clients," said Tom Kozera, CEO of SKCG Group. "Our clients will continue to receive the same level of service from the same people who have always serviced their accounts. The only change will be that SKCG will have more resources and capabilities that can be put to work on behalf of our clients," he added.

SKCG Group through AssuredPartners, Inc. is currently the 18th largest insurance brokerage in the country. By year-end, SKCG projects that AssuredPartners will rank among the top 15 largest brokerages.

About SKCG Group

SKCG Group is one of the largest privately-held insurance and risk management advisory firms in the United States. SKCG serves U.S. and international commercial and private clients who require sophisticated advice addressing multiple risk factors. SKCG's technical expertise in identifying and analyzing risk, coupled with its ingrained culture of senior-level attention and client service, results in high levels of customer trust and loyalty. From insurance and private client services to group benefits and retirement planning services, SKCG's marketplace success is due to its industry knowledge, analysis, experience and unique carrier relationships. Among SKCG's numerous disciplines are Real Estate Owners and Developers, Financial Service Firms including Asset Managers and high net worth individuals and families. To learn more please visit www.skcg.com.

ABOUT ASSUREDPARTNERS, INC

AssuredPartners Inc., headquartered in Lake Mary, Florida, acquires and invests in property and casualty and employee benefits brokerage businesses across the country. Jim Henderson can be contacted at (407) 708-0029 or jhenderson@assuredptr.com. Tom Riley can be contacted at (407) 708-0027 or triley@assuredptr.com. For more information, please visit www.assuredptr.com.

ABOUT GTCR

Founded in 1980, GTCR is a leading private equity firm focused on investing in growth companies in the Financial Services & Technology, Healthcare and Information Services & Technology industries. The Chicago-based firm pioneered the "Leaders Strategy" – finding and partnering with world-class leaders as the critical first step in identifying, acquiring and building market-leading companies through acquisitions and organic growth. Since its inception, GTCR has invested more than \$8.5 billion in over 200 companies. For more information, please visit www.gtcr.com.

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