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### QBE APPOINTS STEVE DICKIE AS PORTFOLIO MANAGER TO ITS MOTOR FLEET TEAM

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QBE European Operations (QBE EO), the specialist business insurer, today announced the appointment of Steve Dickie to the position of Motor Fleet Portfolio Manager within QBE's Motor division.

Steve has over three decades of experience in the industry, having held senior positions with Dominion Insurance Company and Lloyd's broker RL Davison. Latterly, Steve was Motor Fleet Underwriter at HSBC Insurance (UK Ltd).

Matthew Crane, Managing Director, Motor, QBE European Operations, commented: "With his excellent market credentials, Steve will be an enormous asset to the team. This appointment further strengthens our well-established motor fleet account and demonstrates QBE's on-going commitment to excellence in fleet commercial motor underwriting."

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QBE's European Operations, which accounts for almost 40% of QBE Group turnover, is a leading specialist in London market and European commercial lines business. Active in both the Lloyd's and company market, QBE offers considerable diversity to the broking community, via eight product-focused underwriting divisions - casualty, QBE Re Europe, property, motor, marine & energy, specialty, aviation - all operations have the ability to write on both Lloyd's and company market paper.