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## United Heritage Insurance Opens New Office Complex in Meridian Today

New building addition to corporate campus features innovative solar energy design.

**MERIDIAN, ID – February 23, 2015** – United Heritage Insurance officially opens a new partially solar-powered office building today at its corporate campus in Meridian’s Central Valley Corporate Park, located just off Interstate 84. A ribbon-cutting ceremony at the site was scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

The 20,000 square foot, two-story building features a new energy efficiency design utilizing 20% solar power and incorporating other energy saving devices including LED lighting throughout. The opening ceremony today culminates the company’s 80<sup>th</sup> year in the life insurance industry; the company expanded its portfolio of insurance products in 2000 to provide property and casualty insurance.

“United Heritage Insurance has grown to be one of the largest financial institutions headquartered in Idaho today and, with the addition of this beautiful new facility to our campus, we are better positioned to provide quality insurance services to American families for generations to come,” stated Dennis L. Johnson, President and CEO.

The new addition to its corporate campus in Meridian will house a home office mail and print operations group of the company. United Heritage Insurance provides centralized services from its Meridian home office for its four operating companies based in Idaho, Oregon and California, as well as a network of more than 1800 independent agents throughout 38 states and the District of Columbia.

### Solar Synergy

The innovative solar design system utilizes a 19.8 kilowatt Grid Tie Solar System with 72 solar panels on the southwest slope roof that will generate up to 20% of the energy consumption in the new building, as well as withstand heavy accumulation of snow and ice. The SolarWorld 275w panel system has been manufactured in the U.S. and constructed locally by Aurora Power & Design of Boise.

Extensive use of other energy saving devices is incorporated throughout the complex design, including LED lighting inside and outside the building, with the addition of a charging station for electric vehicles in future development.

**United Heritage Insurance**  
Building Two Opening  
704 East United Heritage Court  
Meridian, Idaho 83642



**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**  
11:00a.m. - Monday  
February 23, 2015

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**Official Opening**

Joining corporate executives, board members, employees and guests for the official opening today are Idaho Lieutenant Governor Brad Little, Acting Director of the Idaho Department of Insurance Tom Donovan, Meridian Mayor Tammy de Weerd, and Anne Little Roberts, President of the Meridian Chamber of Commerce, with a prayer of dedication for the new building by April Alford, associate pastor of Ten Mile Christian Church.

Construction costs for the new building are estimated at \$3.5 million, with approximately one half of the office space to be leased to other businesses, including the Six Mile Engineering firm. Architect for the project is BRS Architects, and the general contractor is CM Company, both of Boise.

**About United Heritage Insurance**

United Heritage Financial Group, headquartered in Meridian, is the intermediate holding company that provides capital management and allocation, administrative coordination, and shared services for United Heritage Life Insurance Company and United Heritage Property & Casualty Company based in Idaho, Sublimity Insurance Company based in Oregon, and Merced Property & Casualty Company based in California.

Originally incorporated in 1934 as Grange Mutual Life Company in Nampa, today the companies of United Heritage Insurance have combined assets that total more than \$622 million for the fiscal year ending in 2014. For more information, visit [UnitedHeritage.com](http://UnitedHeritage.com).

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#### United Heritage Property & Casualty Company (Meridian, Idaho)

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- Formerly Idaho Mutual Insurance Company, originally began operations in 1908 near Roswell, Idaho, as Canyon County Farmers Mutual.
- Demutualized in 2000 to become United Heritage Property & Casualty Company, as part of United Heritage Financial Group.
- Offers full line of home, farm, business, umbrella, and auto insurance coverage in Idaho, Oregon, Utah, and Arizona through more than 300 independent agencies.

#### Sublimity Insurance Company (Sublimity, Oregon)

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- Founded in 1896 in Sublimity, Oregon, and joined United Heritage Financial Group in 2003.
- Offers complete portfolio of preferred personal lines products including homeowners, automobile, farm and farm truck, rental properties, and personal umbrella insurance policies.
- Distributed through over 200 independent agencies in Oregon, Idaho, and Utah.

#### Merced Property & Casualty Company (Atwater, California)

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- Formerly Merced Mutual Insurance Company, originally founded by group of farmers in 1906 as Hilmar Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
- Demutualized in 2013 to become Merced Property & Casualty Company as part of United Heritage Financial Group.
- Offers full line of auto, homeowners and dwelling fire insurance coverage to residents of California's North, South and Central Valleys through more than 100 independent agencies.

#### Company Philosophy

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- As a mutual organization, earnings are reinvested back into its companies to add to the strength of their balance sheets for the benefit of its members.
- The company is committed to conservative management of the resources that are entrusted by its constituents to help them manage risk.
- Focus is on core lines of business to create fair and competitive insurance products that serve the needs of most Middle American families.
- Insurance is a service industry; the company invests in excellent service for customers and constituents to provide the protection upon which they rely.
- The company believes in giving back to the communities where it is doing business and where its employees and customers live and work.