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**TEXAS-BASED INSURANCE AGGREGATOR CAA WROTE \$707 MILLION IN 2013**

**AUSTIN, Texas, June 30, 2014** – Combined Agents of America, LLC (CAA) continued its trend of record growth by writing more than \$707.8 million in property and casualty premium in 2013, compared to some \$566.7 million it wrote in 2012. CAA further produced \$92 million in 2013 total property and casualty revenue. CAA is a closed managing general agency committed to strengthening the independent insurance agency system through profitable growth, quality and service with members located in Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma.

“With tremendous organic and membership growth at CAA over the last 5 years, we continued this trend in 2013 by generating more than \$700 million in total premium. Last year we earned the ranking as the 4<sup>th</sup> largest aggregator group in the nation according to the *Insurance Journal* when we reported over \$550 million in 2012 total premium, this year we look to rank even higher!” said Bill Martin, CAA president and president of Grona Boles Martin Bloxsom Insurance, San Antonio, Texas.

This year brings a new addition to this insurance aggregator group’s annual premium numbers. Crop insurance premium was included in calculating its annual total premium numbers, as agriculture business plays an important role in the book of business of CAA’s growing group of Kansas members. In 2013, \$23.4 million in crop insurance premium was included in the total CAA premium number. Moving forward CAA's annual premium numbers will include this type of business.

Without including this new addition of crop insurance premium, CAA grew some 21% through organic and membership growth in 2013 compared to the \$566.7 million it wrote in 2012. The five new Kansas members that joined CAA at the beginning of 2013 brought a book of business worth \$65 million in premium in 2012, which then boosted the aggregator’s growth in 2013.

**About Combined Agents of America, LLC**

Founded in 1997, Combined Agents of America, LLC (CAA) is based in Austin, Texas, and is comprised of 51 independent insurance agencies located throughout Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. By funneling the agencies’ combined premiums, CAA brings larger volume commitments to insurance companies, while empowering its members to realize greater benefits from insurance companies, vendor discounts and other incentives. In 2012, CAA generated more than \$566.7 million in combined property and casualty premium, and currently works with 18 of the largest insurance companies in the nation. All CAA member agencies remain independent and are recognized by insurance companies as a key component to their future growth and goal commitments. Additional information is available at [www.combinedagents.com](http://www.combinedagents.com).

CAA member agencies include: Aars & Nelson Insurance Agency, Barnard Insurance Agency, Bartlett, Baggett & Shands, Benchmark Insurance Group, Benton-Luttrell-Brown Company, Bigham-Kliwer-Chapman-Watts Insurance Agency, Bibby Brillling & Associates LLP, BRIA Insurance & Risk Consultants, Bosworth & Associates, Bryan Insurance Agency Ltd., Brownrigg Insurance Agency Inc., Cravens Warren & Co., Crockett Insurance Service, **DFB Insurance Group LLC**, Ed Berrong Insurance Agency, Ed Weeren Insurance Agency Inc., EFGI Insurance & Bonds LLC, Elliott Insurance Group, Evans-Ewan& Brady Insurance Agency Inc., First Insurance Services, First Texas Insurance Services LLC, Fouts, Davidson, Burks Agency LLC, Fuqua Ruth Typer Insurance, Henry Norris Insurance Agency, Inc., Garrett Insurance Agency, Inc., GBS Insurance Agency Inc., Grona Boles Martin & Bloxsom Insurance, Hill County Insurance Agency, HC&H Insurance Group, ICI Insurance, Insurance Net Inc., JHC Insurance Agency Inc., J. S. Edwards & Sherlock Insurance Agency, Keller-Leopold Insurance, Inc , McCorkle Commercial Insurance Agency, Mr. Insurance Agency, Inc., NTX Insurance Group, Inc., Pierson-Fendley Insurance Agency, LLC, Pinnacle Insurance Group Inc., Porter Insurance Agency Inc., Purifoy Insurance Agency, LTD, SBS Insurance, The Shropshire Agency Inc., Siegeler Insurance Agency, Inc., Southern Star Insurance, Walthall-Sachse & Pipes, Inc., The Weatherby-Eisenrich Inc., Wellmann Insurance Agency, Inc., Western Insurance Agency, Whorton Insurance Services, and Wood-Dulohery Insurance, Inc.