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MARSH & McLENNAN COMPANIES NAMES LAURIE LEDFORD SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER

NEW YORK, April 10, 2012 — Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. (NYSE: MMC), a global professional services firm providing advice and solutions in risk, strategy and human capital, today announced that it has appointed Laurie Ledford as Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer, effective immediately.

In her new role, Ms. Ledford will lead the Company's Human Resources function and have overall responsibility for the Company's human capital and talent agenda. Ms. Ledford reports directly to Brian Duperreault, President and CEO of Marsh & McLennan Companies, and serves as a member of the Company's executive committee.

"As a professional services firm, our success depends entirely on the talent of our 52,000 colleagues and their immense contributions to the Company. As such, engaging and developing our people is a strategic priority at all levels of the organization," said Mr. Duperreault. "Laurie has done an excellent job executing on this priority at Marsh, and I am confident that she will bring the same energy and expertise to her new role."

Ms. Ledford most recently served as Chief Human Resources Officer at Marsh. Prior to attaining that position in 2006, she was Senior Human Resources Director for Marsh's International Specialty Operations, which comprised the firm's operations in Latin America, the

Caribbean, Asia/Pacific, and Africa. Ms. Ledford, who joined Marsh in 2000, has also held several other HR leadership positions within the organization.

“I’m excited to lead the Human Resources function at this vibrant and growing enterprise,” said Ms. Ledford. “And I look forward to working with my colleagues to advance the talent agenda and deliver world-class HR capabilities to the organization.”

Prior to joining Marsh, Ms. Ledford spent six years at Citibank, ultimately serving as senior human resources officer for the firm’s U.S. branch network. She began her career with NationsBank (now Bank of America), holding a variety of positions over a 15-year period, culminating with vice president of human resources staffing and management development.

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