



Old Republic International Announces First Quarter 2001 Conference Call

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CHICAGO, April 19 /PRNewswire/ -- Old Republic International (NYSE: ORI), today announced that it will hold a conference call on Thursday, April 26, 2001, at 3:00 p.m. (ET) to discuss first quarter results. The call can be accessed via the Internet through www.streetevents.com. The conference call will be available for replay on streetevents.com website for a period of 30 days.

About the Company

Old Republic International Corporation, an insurance holding company based in Chicago, is one of the nation's 50 largest publicly held insurance organizations with assets of approximately \$7.2 billion and total capitalization of \$2.6 billion. Old Republic's subsidiaries market, underwrite and provide risk management services for a wide variety of coverages in the property and liability, mortgage guaranty, title and life and health fields.

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