

***Eligible policyholders vote "Yes" to demutualization
11/28/2002***

Policyholders voted overwhelmingly in support of the Board's recommendation to convert The Mutual to a shareholder-owned company with share capital.

At a Special Meeting on Thursday in Barbados, the Board of The Mutual announced to policyholders that 99.1% of the valid votes cast, were in favour of the proposal to demutualize. Only a mere 0.9% of those valid votes cast, voted against the resolution.

With the "Yes" vote from its policyholders, The Mutual now has the green light to seek final approval of its proposal to demutualize from the Supervisor of Insurance.

Subject to this approval, the Mutual will reincorporate as Sagicor Life Inc, a company with share capital. In addition, the company will also seek to incorporate a holding company under the name Sagicor Financial Corporation.

Chairman of The Mutual, Mr. Colin Goddard reported that there was very good response from eligible policyholders in Barbados and across the region. In an official announcement, Mr. Goddard stated, "The Board and Management are delighted at this strong show of support from our policyholders."

He reiterated that demutualization was in the best interests of the policyholders and employees, noting that a flexible capital structure was needed for the company to continue to grow and compete in the new global environment.

Two years ago, on November 1, 2000, The Mutual informed its policyholders and regulators of the need to demutualize and announced that it would be presenting a plan for approval. Policyholders received a comprehensive proposal and the voting process was recently conducted by postal ballot. The deadline for submission of their ballots was November 25th.

