

## Press Release

### **Hollywood's Holiday Season Films Pose Unique Risk Challenges** *Major Releases Insured by Fireman's Fund Insurance Company*

NOVATO, Calif. (Nov. 10, 2008) -- Braving danger across international borders is nothing new for movie hero James Bond – portrayed by actor Daniel Craig in the upcoming holiday film “Quantum of Solace.” Yet, while audiences love 007's thrills and adventure, producers have to be sure their star is protected – from not just his nemesis – but from a variety of insurance risks, too.

A multitude of international film locations were among the risks Fireman's Fund Insurance Company had to consider when insuring the latest Bond film. While appealing to filmmakers for their exotic looks, both the remote and cosmopolitan settings of Chile, Panama, Mexico, Spain, Italy and Austria contribute appreciably to a film's risk.

That's where Fireman's Fund Insurance Company comes into the picture. As the leading insurer of major Hollywood films, it helps production companies manage unexpected risks. With an over 80-year history of insuring everything from independent films to major blockbusters, Fireman's Fund entertainment division is dedicated to helping producers and studios achieve the artistic results they are seeking, yet also ensuring they are filmed safely, finished on time and on budget. This is done by analyzing risks and finding solutions to cover specific exposures.

“We often find that international locations pose a wide variety of challenges for filmmakers. This includes the sets, transportation of film, equipment and costumes, and dealing with illness in a foreign country,” said Joseph Finnegan, head of Fireman's Fund entertainment division.

Productions insured by Fireman's Fund for holiday release in November are “Soul Men” starring the late Bernie Mac and Isaac Hayes (November 7), the new Bond film “Quantum of Solace” (November 14), “Four Christmases” featuring Vince Vaughn and Reese Witherspoon, and “The Road” with Viggo Mortensen and Charlize Theron (November 26).

For December release, Fireman's Fund insured the Ron Howard film “Frost/Nixon” starring Frank Langella and Kevin Bacon (December 5), “Youth in Revolt” featuring Ray Liotta (December 5), and “Twilight,” starring newcomer Kristen Stewart (December 12). Others include “Seven Pounds,” with Will Smith and Woody Harrelson (December 12), “Yes Man” starring Jim Carrey (December 19), “The Spirit” with Samuel L. Jackson and Scarlett Johansson, and “Defiance” featuring Daniel Craig and Liev Schreiber (December 31).

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