Penn River Collaborates with NTT DATA on Variable Annuity Implementation

Newtown Square, PA –February 18, 2025 - Penn River, Inc., a pioneer in cloud-native policy administration systems, and <u>NTT DATA</u>, a global digital business and IT services leader, have announced the implementation and introduction of their variable annuity product. This marks a significant milestone with Penn River's support for variable annuity while NTT DATA has incorporated a new policy administration platform into its Third-Party Administrator (TPA) technology ecosystem.

"Policy administration systems are the foundation of insurance operations, empowering insurers to accelerate time to market while also delivering exceptional customer service," said **David Shaw, CEO** and **Co-Founder, Penn River**. "We are excited to complete a variable annuity conversion for one of NTT DATA's clients. Together with NTT DATA, we offer an industry-leading, end-to-end, digital-first solution, allowing clients to stay ahead in today's challenging market."

The go-live highlights the unique position of both companies in the market. The collaboration supports insurance companies as they pivot to sell new product offerings. In addition, the digital-first administrative platform strengthens Insurtech initiatives to more fully integrate into the insurance landscape.

"Success for Life and Annuity insurers today relies on quickly bringing products to market that meet consumer needs," said **Akshay Arora, SVP, Insurance, NTT DATA**. "By adding variable annuity support, NTT DATA can better serve our clients. With Penn River's capabilities in our Third-Party Administrator ecosystem, we can accelerate new product launches and enhance customer experience with a data-driven service offering."

Penn River is a Policy Administration System for Life & Annuities. The cloud-native, software-as-aservice technology helps carriers achieve the shortest time to market while maintaining the lowest cost of ownership.

NTT DATA's TPA technology platform is part of the company's Global Insurance Digital Platform (GIDP), a cloud-based digital platform. GIDP integrates NTT DATA's own IP and best-of-breed partner IP to provide BPaaS, TPA and technological capabilities to the Life & Annuity industry. Managing over 8 million policies, the ecosystem's componentized approach connects seamlessly via event-based APIs and is built on a strong foundation of deep industry knowledge and expertise in Business Process Outsourcing, infrastructure, security, compliance and automation.

For more information on Penn River, visit www.pennriver.com.

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About Penn River

Penn River is a native cloud Life and Annuity software company offering ProductHub and Policy Administration Systems (PAS) for the US Life and Annuities Insurance Company Marketplace. Their leadership team and key employees had previously contributed to the development of other platforms in the Life PAS space. ProductHub is an industry-first solution that provides as much as a 30% reduction in time to market, and as much as a 25% reduction in carrier product development costs by streamlining redundancies and connecting information across disparate sources; including eApp, product rules, testing and reinsurance. For more information, please contact Penn River at info@pennriver.com.