EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hanson Rodney Dale			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			[EMCI]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) 255 S. 41ST S	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2016	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
WEST DES MOINES, IA 50265				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	ip) Table I - N	lon-Deriva	tive Secur	ities A	Acquired, Di	sposed of, or Be	neficially Ow	ned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Yo	Date 2A. Deemed ear) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		(D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
EMCI-Common Stock	03/09/2016		M	2,250	A	\$ 15.6447	16,232	D	
EMCI-Commor Stock	03/09/2016		F	1,425	D	\$ 24.715	14,807	D	

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
ISO Right To Buy	\$ 15.6447	03/09/2016		M	2,250	03/05/2009(1)	03/05/2018	Common Stock	2,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hanson Rodney Dale 255 S. 41ST STREET WEST DES MOINES, IA 50265

Sr. Vice President

Signatures

Rodney D. 03/11/2016 Hanson

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Options vest in five equal annual installments (20%) beginning one year after date of grant.

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