#### UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

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## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |     |                     |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   |   | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$ 21.095   | Â                                       | Â   | Â                                       | Â   | Â   | (3)                 | 05/16/2022         | Common<br>Stock   | 2,145                                  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$ 28.925   | Â                                       | Â   | Â                                       | Â   | Â   | (4)                 | 05/15/2023         | Common<br>Stock   | 1,755                                  |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| · Providence  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| Carlton Scott L<br>118 SECOND AVENUE SE<br>CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401 | ÂX            | Â         | Â       | Â     |  |  |

### **Signatures**

/s/ Scott L. Carlton by Michael T. Wilkins, Attorny-in-Fact 02/13/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **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).
- The number of shares held directly by the Reporting Person includes: 92,165 shares held directly by the Reporting Person and 1,286 (1) shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2005 Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 21, 2017.
- The number of shares held indirectly by the Reporting Person includes: 12,760 shares held for the benefit of the Reporting Person's son, 6,960 shares held for the benefit of the Reporting Person's daughter and 4,060 shares held for the benefit of the Reporting Person's daughter as of 1/23/2015.

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- (3)  $\frac{858}{05/16/2017}$ , respectively.
- (4) 351 options currently exercisable. Remaining options become vested and exercisable in equal installments on 05/15/2015, 05/15/2016, 05/15/2017 and 05/15/2018, respectively.

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