UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

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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).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Sheeley Michael J. Issuer Symbol UNITED FIRE GROUP INC (Check all applicable) [UFCS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 118 SECOND AVENUE SE 03/31/2015 VP/COO - United Life Ins. Co. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/31/2015		J <u>(1)</u>	2 (2)	A	\$ 31.69	5,527 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2015		<u>J(1)</u>	2 (2)	A	\$ 30.47	5,529 (3)	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Person

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

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amount	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ing	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securitie	es	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities		(Instr. 3	and 4)		Own	
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						Exercisable					
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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

Sheeley Michael J. 118 SECOND AVENUE SE CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401

VP/COO - United Life Ins. Co.

Signatures

/s/ Michael J. Sheeley by Michael T. Wilkins, Attorney-in-Fact

05/14/2015

**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).
- (1) Shares acquired through routine payroll deduction and participation in Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- Represents the approximate number of shares (excluding fractionals) acquired by the administrator of the Issuer's Employee Stock **(2)** Purchase Plan for the Reporting Person, based on a tatement of the administrator.

The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the Reporting Person (excluding fractionals) includes: 1,311 shares held directly by Mr. Sheeley; 1,033 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/15/2018; 1,710 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/21/2019; and 1,439 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/20/2020.

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