

Lorenzen Jeffrey D  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Lorenzen Jeffrey D</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>6000 WESTOWN PARKWAY</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>WEST DES MOINES, Â IA Â 50266</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>06/27/2012</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING CO [AEL]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br/>                 (give title below) (specify below)<br/>                 Sr. Vice President-Investments</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>07/06/2012</p> <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock                       | 14,025 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | D   | Â  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
|   | Date Exercisable Date                                       | Title Amount or Number of  |  |  |  |

Shares or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                  |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                          | Other |
| Lorenzen Jeffrey D<br>6000 WESTOWN PARKWAY<br>WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266 | Â             | Â         | Â Sr. Vice President-Investments | Â     |

## Signatures

Debra J. Richardson, by Power of Attorney 04/18/2013

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 6,225 shares were omitted from the reporting person's original Form 3 and were also omitted from the holdings reported in the subsequent Form 4 filed by the reporting person.

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