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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Wilkins Michael T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY CO
 [UFCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O. BOX 73909
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/18/2011

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/18/2011		A	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 20.54	3,894 A \$ 20.54 8,980 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					202,058 ⁽²⁾	I	By self as co-trustee of Issuer's defined benefit pension plan
Common Stock					234,107 ⁽³⁾	I	By self as co-trustee

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of Issuer's
employee
stock
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plan

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

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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 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. Transaction 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.54 (4)	02/18/2011		A	9,467	(5) 02/18/2021	Common Stock	9,467
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.42 (4)					(6) 05/19/2020	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.43 (4)					(7) 05/21/2018	Common Stock	8,463
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.23 (4)					(8) 02/16/2017	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.13 (4)					(9) 02/17/2016	Common Stock	5,000
						(9) 02/18/2015		5,000

Stock	\$ 32.39				Common	
Option (right to buy)	<u>(4)</u>				Stock	
Stock	\$ 21.66		(9)	02/20/2014	Common	1,600
Option (right to buy)	<u>(4)</u>				Stock	
Stock	\$ 15.85		(9)	02/21/2013	Common	400
Option (right to buy)	<u>(4)</u>				Stock	
Stock	\$ 17.7 ⁽⁴⁾		(9)	08/01/2012	Common	200
Option (right to buy)	<u>(4)</u>				Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wilkins Michael T 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Michael T. Wilkins by Dianne M. Lyons, Attorney-in-Fact	02/22/2011
<u> </u> 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) The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the reporting person following the reported transaction includes: 3,894 shares of restricted stock issued under the Company's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/18/2016; 2,313 shares of restricted stock issued under the Company's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 05/21/2013; and 2,773 shares held by the reporting person individually.
- (2) The Reporting Person serves as co-trustee of this employee benefit plan and disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities. None of the shares held by this plan are allocated to the Reporting Person's individual benefit. The Reporting Person will receive a pension benefit from the plan upon retirement. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose.
- (3) The Reporting Person serves as co-trustee of this employee benefit plan and disclaims beneficial ownership of any Issuer securities held by this plan that are not allocated for his individual benefit, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose. Only 1,575 shares held in this plan are allocated specifically for the Reporting Person's individual benefit.
- (4) The exercise price of these stock options represents the closing price of issuer's common stock on the grant date.

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- (5) 9,467 options become exercisable in three equal installments of 1,893 options each on 02/18/2012, 02/18/2013 and 02/18/2014 and two equal installments of 1,894 options each 02/18/2015 and 02/18/2016.
- (6) 3,000 options become exercisable in five equal installments of 600 option shares each on 05/19/2011, 05/19/2012, 05/19/2013, 05/19/2014 and 05/19/2015.
- (7) 5,078 options currently exercisable; 1,693 options become exercisable on 05/21/2011; 1,693 options become exercisable on 05/21/2012; and 1,692 options become exercisable on 05/21/2013.
- (8) 8,000 options currently exercisable and 2,000 options become exercisable on 02/16/2012.
- (9) All options currently exercisable.

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