UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading RIFE JOHN A Issuer Symbol UNITED FIRE GROUP INC (Check all applicable) [UFCS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) 118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O. 08/19/2013 BOX 73909 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909** Person 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. 5. Amount of

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Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Transaction Code	on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/19/2013		Code V M	Amount (D) Price 1,000 A \$ 21.66	26,663 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock					8,061 (2)	I	See footnote #2

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

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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)		tive Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of		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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.66	08/19/2013		M		1,000	(3)	02/20/2014	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
RIFE JOHN A 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909	X				

Signatures

/s/ John A. Rife by Dianne M. Lyons,
Attorney-in-Fact 08/19/2013

**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 securities beneficially held directly by the Reporting Person after the reported transaction includes: 25,661 shares held jointly by Mr. Rife and his wife, 582 shares held directly by Mr. Rife; and 420 shares of restricted stock issued to Mr. Rife under the Issuer's 2005 Non-Qualified Non-Employee Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 15, 2014.
- The number of securities beneficially held indirectly by the Reporting Person after the reported transaction includes: 6,331 shares held in an individual retirement account for Mr. Rife's benefit; 1,317 shares held individually by Mr. Rife's wife; and 413 shares held in a SEP individual retirement account for Mr. Rife's benefit.
- (3) All options currently exercisable.

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