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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Waleski Anne G Issuer Symbol MARKEL CORP [MKL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O MARKEL 08/12/2010 below) CORPORATION, 4521 Vice Pres., Treasurer and CFO HIGHWOODS PARKWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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	Table 1 - Non-Delivative Securities Acquired, Disposed 61, 61 Benefit								y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	, ,	any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/12/2010		Code V I	Amount 200	(D)	Price \$ 324.87	1,079.445	I	401(K) Plan (1)
Common Stock							889.9879	D	

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	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 Amou		t of	Derivative	Deriv
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					4, and 5)						
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						Exercisable					
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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Waleski Anne G C/O MARKEL CORPORATION 4521 HIGHWOODS PARKWAY GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060

Vice Pres., Treasurer and CFO

Signatures

/s/ Linda S. Rotz, Attorney-in-fact for Anne G.

08/13/2010 Waleski

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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).

Holdings under the Markel Corporation 401(K) Plan are reported in units. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement (1) dated as of August 12, 2010 and utilizes the closing stock price on that date of \$331.00. As of August 12, 2010, a unit under the Plan represented one share of Common Stock.

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