HOFFMANN RICHARD W

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOFFMANN RICHARD W			Symbol	EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) P.O. BOX 712				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2012				Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP,General Counsel & Secretary			
(Street)				Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DES MOINES, IA 50306				Per				Form filed by More than One Reporting on			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	on-Deriva	tive Secur	ities A	cquired,	Disposed of, or	Beneficially (Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transac (Month/D		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose	d 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)	
EMCI-Common Stock	01/31/20	012		F	82	D D	\$ 22.56	4,907	D		
EMCI-Common Stock	01/31/20	012		M	100	A	\$ 18.3	5,007	D		
EMCI-Common								90	I	Note 1 (1)	

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)	4. 5. Number Transaction Code Derivative (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
ISO Right to Buy	\$ 18.3	01/31/2012	M	100	02/01/2003(2)	02/01/2012(2)	Common Stock	100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOFFMANN RICHARD W P.O. BOX 712

DES MOINES, IA 50306

VP, General Counsel & Secretary

Signatures

Richard W.

02/02/2012

Hoffmann

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Indirect Beneficial Ownership: spouse as a custodian for son under U.T.M.A (Iowa).
- (2) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning one year after date of grant.

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