

Asplund Ian Christopher  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Asplund Ian Christopher

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC  
 [EMCI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 13350 HICKORY AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/13/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP, Chief Act., EMCC Parent Co.

CLIVE, IA 50325  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
EMCI-Common Stock	12/13/2017		M	56 A \$ 13.7833	4,644	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	12/13/2017		F	42 D \$ 29.6565	4,602	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	12/14/2017		M	1,300 A \$ 15.6447	5,902	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 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 (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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
NQO-RIGHT TO BUY	\$ 13.7833	12/13/2017		M	56	03/01/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> 03/01/2020	Common Stock
ISO-RIGHT TO BUY	\$ 15.6446	12/14/2017		M	1,300	03/05/2009 <sup>(1)</sup> 03/05/2018	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Asplund Ian Christopher 13350 HICKORY AVENUE CLIVE, IA 50325			VP,Chief Act.,EMCC Parent Co.	

## Signatures

Ian C. Asplund 12/15/2017  
 \*\*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) Options vest in five equal annual installments (20%)beginning one year after date of grant.

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