

Paine Ronald Allan
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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 *
 Paine Ronald Allan

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/02/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President

10577 ELMCREST DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CLIVE, IA 50325

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
EMCI-Common Stock	02/02/2018		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 2,000 A \$ 16.27	21,576	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	02/05/2018		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 2,500 A \$ 16.27	24,076	D	
EMCI-Common Stock					572	I	Spouse

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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	\$ 16.27	02/02/2018		M	2,000	03/01/2012 ⁽¹⁾ 03/01/2021	Common Stock 2
NQO-RIGHT TO BUY	\$ 16.27	02/05/2018		M	2,500	03/01/2012 ⁽¹⁾ 03/01/2021	Common Stock 2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Paine Ronald Allan 10577 ELMCREST DRIVE CLIVE, IA 50325			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Ronald A. Paine 02/06/2018

**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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