KELLEY BRUCE G

Form 4

February 21, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(City)

EMCI-Common

Stock

(State)

(Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KELLEY BRUCE G			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) 14 GLENVIEW DRIVE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018	X Director 10% Owner Specify below) Other (specify below) President & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
DES MOINES, IA 50312				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	on-Derivat	ive Secur	ities A	cquired, E	Disposed of, or B	eneficially O	wned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		saction Date /Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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-Commor Stock	02/16/	2018		M	3,759	A	\$ 16.27	271,846	D	
EMCI-Commor Stock	02/16/	2018		F	2,795	D	\$ 27.115	269,051	D	

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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. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) equired A) or isposed of		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
NQO Right To Buy	\$ 16.27	02/16/2018		M	3,759	03/01/2012(1)	03/01/2021	Common Stock	3,759

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Rel	ationships	
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KELLEY BRUCE G

14 GLENVIEW DRIVE X President & CEO

DES MOINES, IA 50312

Signatures

Bruce G. Kelley 02/21/2018

**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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