

HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP INC/DE
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FORM 4

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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 *
 JOHNSON DAVID M /CT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP INC/DE [HIG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Exec. Vice President and CFO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP -, ONE HARTFORD PLAZA
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/21/2008

HARTFORD, CT 06155
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Restricted Stock Units | | | | | 15,204.025 | D | |
| Restricted Stock | | | | | 9,333 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2008 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 14,032 | A | \$ 73.19 |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2008 | | F ⁽²⁾ | | 5,648 | D | \$ 73.19 |

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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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Stock Option | \$ 63.02 | | | | | (3) | 05/03/2011 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 65.85 | | | | | (4) | 02/23/2012 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 37.37 | | | | | (5) | 02/22/2013 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 65.99 | | | | | (6) | 02/20/2014 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 71.27 | | | | | (7) | 02/19/2015 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 83 | | | | | (8) | 02/15/2016 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 93.69 | | | | | (9) | 02/27/2017 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option | \$ 92.69 | | | | | (10) | 07/30/2017 | Common Stock |
| Performance Shares | \$ 73.19 | 02/21/2008 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 14,032 | (1) | (1) | Common Stock |
| Performance Shares | \$ 73.19 | 02/21/2008 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 14,032 | (1) | (1) | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Exec. Vice President and CFO

JOHNSON DAVID M /CT
THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP

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ONE HARTFORD PLAZA
HARTFORD, CT 06155

Signatures

/s/ Donald C. Hunt, POA for David M. Johnson by Power of Attorney of David M. Johnson
dated July 26, 2007

02/25/2008

__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).
On February 21, 2008, the Company's Compensation and Personnel Committee awarded a performance share payout, based on the level of the Company's performance relative to pre-established performance objectives, for the January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2007 performance period. The performance shares were paid in shares of the Company's common stock.
- (1) Transaction involving the disposition to the Company of equity securities to cover tax withholding obligations in accordance with the Company's administrative rules.
- (2) The option became fully exercisable on November 11, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Company's common stock on New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (3) The option became fully exercisable on November 17, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (4) The option became fully exercisable on June 18, 2003, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (5) The option became fully exercisable as of February 18, 2007, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (6) The option became fully exercisable as of February 17, 2008, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (7) The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 15, 2009, three years from the date of the grant. The closing price condition to vesting was met on May 18, 2007.
- (8) The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 27, 2010, three years from the date of the grant.
- (9) The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) July 30, 2010, three years from the date of the grant.
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