Sheeley Michael J. Form 4 March 21, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Sheeley Michael J.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	UNITED FIRE GROUP INC [UFCS]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 118 SECOND AVENUE SE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2012	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP/COO - United Life Ins. Co.			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)	(State)	${\bf (Zip)} \qquad \qquad {\bf Table~I-Non-Derivative~Securities~Acquired, Disposed~of, or~Beneficially~Owned}$							ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/15/2012	03/20/2012(1)	P(2)	V(3)	4 (4)	A	\$ 19.46 (5)	1,050	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2012	03/21/2012(1)	P(2)	V(3)	4 (4)	A	\$ 19.4 (5)	1,054	D	
Common Stock								1,300	I	By Issuer's Employee Stock Ownership

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.		5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ctio	rNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	unt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code		of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Derivative	e		Secur	rities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative					Securities			(Instr.	. 3 and 4)	
	Security					Acquired					
	·					(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
						.,					
										Amount	
							Date	Expiration		or	
							Exercisable Date	Title Number	Number		
							Excicisable	Date		of	
				Code	V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sheeley Michael J. 118 SECOND AVENUE SE CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909 VP/COO -United Life Ins. Co.

Signatures

/s/ Michael J. Sheeley by Dianne M. Lyons, Attorney-in-Fact

03/21/2012

**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) The deemed execution date of this transaction is based on a report of the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan administor and transfer agent.
- (2) Shares acquired through participation in Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) This transaction is exempt under Rule 16a-11 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is voluntarily reported.
- (4) Represents the approximate number of shares acquired by the administrator of the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan for the reporting person, based on a statement of the administrator.
- (5) The price per share is based on a statement provided by the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan trustee/administrator.

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