ERNST BARRIE W Form 4/A

February 20, 2013

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

may continue.

ERNST BARRIE W			Symbol UNITED FIRE GROUP INC [UFCS]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	. ,	(N	3. Date of Earliest Trans (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% Owner Softicer (give title Other (specify below)			
118 SECOI BOX 73909	E, P.O. 02	02/15/2013					VP/Chief Investment Officer				
	Fil	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2013					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
CEDAR RA	APIDS, IA 52407		(E) 17) E(15)					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	lon-De	rivative S	ecuri	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Dat any (Month/Day/Y	Code Year) (Instr.	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/15/2013		Code $A_{\underline{(1)}}$	V	Amount 1,933	(D)	Price \$ 23.96 (2)	6,591 <u>(3)</u>	D		
Common Stock	02/15/2013	02/19/2013	(4) P(5)	V <u>(6)</u>	14 (7)	A	\$ 23.96 (8)	5,451 (9)	I	By 401(k) Account for Self	

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Employee Stock Ownership Plan for

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Common Stock

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By 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.96 (10)	02/15/2013		A	6,780	<u>(11)</u>	02/15/2023	Common Stock	6,780
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.54					(12)	02/18/2021	Common Stock	6,849
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.42					(13)	05/18/2020	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.43					(14)	05/21/2018	Common Stock	7,114
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.23					<u>(15)</u>	02/16/2017	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 39.13					(15)	02/17/2016	Common Stock	2,500

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(right to buy)					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.39	<u>(15)</u>	02/18/2015	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.66	(15)	02/20/2014	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ERNST BARRIE W 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

VP/Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

/s/ Barrie W. Ernst by Dianne M. Lyons, Attorney-in-Fact

02/20/2013

**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) This transaction represents a grant of restricted stock to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan.
- (2) The price per share is the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the date of the reported transaction.
- The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the Reporting Person following the reported transaction includes: 1,944 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 05/21/2013; 2,714 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/18/2016; and 1,933 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/15/2018.
- (4) The deemed execution date of this transaction is the statement date as provided by the Issuer's 401(k)Plan trustee/administrator.
- (5) Shares acquired through payroll deduction and participation in the Issuer's 401(k) Plan.
- (6) This transaction qualifies as a non-discretionary transaction from a tax-qualified plan and is voluntarily reported on Form 4.
- (7) Represents the approximate number of shares acquired by the trustee/administrator of the Issuer's 401(k)Plan for the reporting person's benefit, based on a statement of the plan trustee/administrator.
- (8) The price per share is based on a statement provided by the Issuer's 401(k) Plan trustee/administrator.
 - The number of securities shown as being held in or acquired by the Issuer's 401(k) account for the Reporting Person's benefit are the approximate number of shares of common stock for which the Reporting Person has the right to direct the vote under the Issuer's
- (9) 401(k) plan. Such shares are not directly allocated to 401(k) Plan participants, but are instead held in a unitized fund consisting primarily of common stock, together with a small percentage of short-term investments. 401(k) Plan participants acquire units of this fund.

(10) The exercise price of these stock options represents the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the grant date.

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- (11) 6,780 options that become exercisable in five equal installments of 1,356 options each on 02/15/2014, 02/15/2015, 02/15/2016, 02/15/2017 and 02/15/2018.
- (12) 2,740 options currently exercisable; 2,740 options become exercisable in two equal installments of 1,370 options each on 02/18/2014 and 02/18/2015; and 1,369 options exercisable 02/18/2016.
- (13) $\frac{1,200 \text{ options currently exercisable and } 1,800 \text{ options become exercisable in three equal installments of } 600 \text{ options each on } 05/19/2013, 05/19/2014 \text{ and } 05/19/2015.}$
- (14) 5,691 options currently exercisable and 1,423 options become exercisable on 05/21/2013.
- (15) All options currently exercisable.

Remarks:

Due to an error in the original calculation, this amended filing is being made to correct the number of options and restricted storage. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.