

UNITED FIRE GROUP INC  
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# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BESONG JOHN PAUL E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNITED FIRE GROUP INC  
[UFCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
400 COLLINS ROAD NE M/S  
124-003

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/17/2014

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52498001

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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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)				Price
Common Stock	03/17/2014		J(1)	V	3 (2)	A	\$ 29.7044	2,814 (3)	D	
Common Stock	06/16/2014		J(1)	V	12 (2)	A	\$ 28.4035	2,826 (4)	D	
Common Stock	09/15/2014		J(1)	V	12 (2)	A	\$ 28.5213	2,838 (5)	D	

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BESONG JOHN PAUL E 400 COLLINS ROAD NE M/S 124-003 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52498001	X			

## Signatures

/s/ John-Paul E. Besong by Dianne M. Lyons,  
Attorney-in-Fact 09/19/2014

\*\*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) Shares acquired through participation in the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
  - (2) Represents the approximate number of shares (excluding fractionals) acquired by the Reporting Person through the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.  
The number of shares are held directly by the Reporting Person includes: 1,528 shares held directly by the Reporting Person and 1,286 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 21, 2017.
  - (3) The number of shares are held directly by the Reporting Person includes: 1,540 shares held directly by the Reporting Person and 1,286 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 21, 2017.
  - (4) The number of shares are held directly by the Reporting Person includes: 1,552 shares held directly by the Reporting Person and 1,286 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 21, 2017.
  - (5) The number of shares are held directly by the Reporting Person includes: 1,552 shares held directly by the Reporting Person and 1,286 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 21, 2017.

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