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FORM 4

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Form 4 or Form 5 obligations STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PBRA (CAYMAN) Co

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O PINE BROOK ROAD

(Street)

(State)

03/15/2016

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2016

Director X__ 10% Owner _X_ Other (specify Officer (give title

PARTNERS LLC. 60 EAST 42ND

below) below) See Remarks

STREET, 50TH FLOOR

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Code V

P

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10165

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of TransactiorDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) Following

> (A) or (D) Price Amount

> > Α

\$

19.5623

Reported (I) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(1)

See 10,708,652

I

Shares, par value \$0.015

Common

(3)

265,017

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	sactionNumber Expiration of (Month Securities Acquired (A) or			7. Title Amount Under Securit (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans
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				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				, ,				Amount		
					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
			Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PBRA (CAYMAN) Co C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
Pine Brook Road Advisors, LP C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
PBRA, LLC C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
NEWMAN HOWARD H C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
Essent Intermediate, L.P. C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			

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PBRA (CAYMAN) COMPANY, By: /s/ Rob Jackowitz, Director

03/17/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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PINE BROOK ROAD ADVISORS, LP, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Chief Compliance Officer 03/17/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

PBRA, LLC, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Executive Vice President

03/17/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

HOWARD H. NEWMAN, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Attorney-in-Fact

03/17/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

ESSENT INTERMEDIATE, L.P., By: PBRA (CAYMAN) COMPANY, its general partner, By: /s/ Rob Jackowitz, Director

03/17/2016

**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).
- Represents Common Shares ("Shares") held directly by Essent Intermediate, L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership, (1) ("Essent Intermediate"). PBRA (Cayman) Company, a Cayman Islands exempted company, ("PBRA Cayman") is the general partner of Essent Intermediate.
 - Pine Brook Road Advisors, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, ("Advisors") serves as investment manager to Essent Intermediate. PBRA, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, serves as general partner of Advisors. Howard H. Newman, a U.S. citizen, ("Mr.
- **(2)** Newman") is the sole member of PBRA, LLC. In such capacities, each of PBRA Cayman, Advisors, PBRA, LLC and Mr. Newman may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own Shares held by Essent Intermediate and disclaims beneficial ownership of all such Shares except to the extent of any indirect pecuniary interest therein.
- This price reflects the weighted average purchase price for open-market purchases of Shares made by the Reporting Persons on March 15, 2016, within a \$1.00 range. The actual prices for these transactions range from \$19.55 to \$19.60, inclusive. The Reporting Persons **(3)** further undertake to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of Shares purchased at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (3) to this Form 4.

Remarks:

Exhibit 99.1 - Power of Attorney (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to the Schedule 13D/A filed by PBRA (Cayman) Con

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