

Hofeling Gretchen
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Hofeling Gretchen | | (Month/Day/Year) | Employers Holdings, Inc. [EIG] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 05/13/2011 | |
| 10375 PROFESSIONAL CIRCLE | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| RENO, NV 89521 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | VP, Corporate Controller | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 | 5,716 ⁽¹⁾ | D | Â |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Common Stock, par value | Amount or Number of Shares | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (2) | 05/29/2016 | \$0.01 | 5,000 | \$ 11.84 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (3) | 03/30/2017 | \$0.01 | 3,780 | \$ 15.31 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (4) | 03/16/2018 | \$0.01 | 5,663 | \$ 19.81 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hofeling Gretchen 10375 PROFESSIONAL CIRCLE RENO, NV 89521 | Â | Â | Â VP, Corporate Controller | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Gretchen Hofeling 05/18/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- Includes (i) 1,251 restricted stock units that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on May 28, 2011 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates); (ii) 1,755 restricted stock units that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 30, 2012 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates); and (iii) 2,025 restricted stock units that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2012 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).
- (1) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on May 28, 2010 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).
 - (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 30, 2011 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).
 - (3) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2012 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).
 - (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2012 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).

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