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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Choumenkovitch Nicolas M			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol John Hancock Hedged Equity & Income Fund [HEQ]					
(Last) (F	First) (M	iddle)	01/01/2013		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				ndment, Date Original hth/Day/Year)	
280 CONGRESS STREET (Street) BOSTON, MA 02210					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Officer of Investment Adviser		w)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One 		
(City) (St	State) (2	Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Be		f Securities	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indi ership	rect Beneficial	
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivativ (Instr. 4)	7e Security	Expira	e Exercisable and ation Date Day/Year) Expiration	Securiti Derivati (Instr. 4	and Amount of es Underlying ive Security)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	se Fo D e So	wnership orm of erivative ecurity: irect (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	

Exercisable

Date

Title

Direct (D)

or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

(I)

Security

Amount or

Number of

Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Choumenkovitch Nicolas M 280 CONGRESS STREET BOSTON, MA 02210	Â	Â	Officer of Investment Adviser	Â			
Signatures							
John E. Bruno - Attorney-in-Fact	01/03/2013						
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date					
Explanation of Re	enor	10001					

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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