

Essent Group Ltd.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PAULS DOUGLAS J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD., CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 CHURCH STREET

(Street)

HAMILTON, D0 HM 11

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/03/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Pr
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu (Instr. 3)			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted share units	<u>(1)</u>	05/03/2016	A		5,545		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common shares, par value \$0.015	5,545

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAULS DOUGLAS J
 C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD.
 CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 CHURCH STREET
 HAMILTON, D0 HM 11

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Signatures

Lawrence E. McAlee, as attorney-in-fact

05/05/2016

__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).

(1) Granted under the issuer's 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan pursuant to the issuer's director compensation plan and will vest in full on May 3, 2017. Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive one ESNT common share.

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