#### AMERUS GROUP CO/IA

Form 4 March 08, 2006

#### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

AMERUS GROUP CO/IA [AMH]

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

**BROOKS ROGER K** 

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

may continue.

See Instruction

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699 WALNUT STREET		(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2006					X Director Officer (gives below)		0% Owner Other (specify		
	(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
D. T. C.			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
DES MOII	NES, IA 50309							Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/06/2006	03/06/200	06	S	10,000	D	\$ 62.17	5,000	I	RKB Partnership, L.P.	
Common Stock								46,263.69	I	Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust	
Common Stock								7,089.287	I	By 401(k) Plan	
Common Stock								9,000	I	By Spouse	

Common Stock 200

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. conNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 ar	f Derivating Security (Instr. 5)	ve Deriv Secur
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or	nount mber ures	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer de la companya de la compan	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BROOKS ROGER K	***						
699 WALNUT STREET	X						
DES MOINES, IA 50309							

## **Signatures**

/s/ Jeananne M. Celander, attorney-in-fact for Mr.

Brooks

03/08/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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