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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Desrochers Mark R

(Middle)

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP,

INC. [THG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner Director

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

C/O THE HANOVER INSURANCE 02/28/2011 GROUP, INC., 440 LINCOLN

(Street)

(First)

STREET

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

WORCESTER, MA 01653

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D)

Common Stock

02/28/2011

 $A^{(1)}$

1,000 (1)

10,728

D

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)

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| 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and | Securities |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Common Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 46.47 | 02/28/2011 | | A | 8,000 | <u>(2)</u> | 02/28/2021 | Common Stock | 8,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Desrochers Mark R C/O THE HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. 440 LINCOLN STREET WORCESTER, MA 01653 | | | Senior Vice President | | | |

Signatures

Walter H. Stowell pursuant to Confirming
Statement

03/02/2011

**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) Grant of Restricted Stock Units pursuant to Issuer's 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (2) 50% vest on the third anniversary of the grant date and 50% vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

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