

UNITED FIRE GROUP INC
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |
| Phillips Michael Wayne | | | UNITED FIRE GROUP INC [UFCS] | (Check all applicable) |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Former Director |
| 118 2ND AVE SE | | | 12/31/2015 | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line) |
| CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401-1212 | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | |

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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,002.1614 | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. F |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.095 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â Â (1) | 05/16/2022 | Common Stock | 2,145 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 28.925 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â Â (1) | 05/15/2023 | Common Stock | 1,755 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Phillips Michael Wayne 118 2ND AVE SE CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401-1212 | Â | Â | Â | Former Director |

Signatures

Michael W. Phillips by Michael T. Wilkins,
Attorney-in-Fact 02/12/2016

__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) All options currently exercisable.

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