

Sheeley Michael J.
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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 *
Sheeley Michael J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITED FIRE GROUP INC
[UFCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
118 SECOND AVENUE SE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP/COO - United Life Ins. Co.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/15/2013	03/20/2013 ⁽¹⁾	P ⁽²⁾	V ⁽³⁾	5 ⁽⁴⁾	A	\$ 25.958
Common Stock	03/18/2013	03/21/2013 ⁽¹⁾	P ⁽²⁾	V ⁽³⁾	2 ⁽⁴⁾	A	\$ 25.851
Common Stock					1,419	I	

By Issuer's Employee Stock Ownership Plan for self

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held of record by the Reporting Person.

The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the Reporting Person following the reported transaction includes: 1,033 shares
(6) of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/15/2018; and 1,203 shares held of record by the Reporting Person.

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