

Essent Group Ltd.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
**05/06/2016**

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)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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                                |   |  |                                   |
| Common shares, par value \$0.015 | 05/06/2016                           |  | M                              | 4,487 A 0.015   | 4,487   | D  |                                   |
| Common shares, par value \$0.015 |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,485   | I  |                                   |

By Douglas J. Pauls  
Revocable Trust U/A  
Dated Jan 30 2013

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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. 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Restricted share units                     | (1)  | 05/06/2016                           |  | M                              | 4,487   | (2) (2)  | Common shares, par value \$0.015                              | 4,487   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| PAULS DOUGLAS J<br>C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD.<br>CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 CHURCH STREET<br>HAMILTON, D0 HM 11 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Lawrence E. McAlee, as attorney-in-fact 05/10/2016

\*\*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) Restricted share units convert into common shares on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) On May 6, 2015, the reporting person was granted 4,487 restricted share units which vest in full on May 6, 2016.

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