

PROASSURANCE CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Lisenby Jeffrey Patton

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION, 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE

(Street)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROASSURANCE CORP [[PRA]]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2010

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)
Senior Vice-President / Corporate Secretary

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/16/2010 | | F | 508 <u>(2)</u> D | \$ 62.31 <u>(2)</u> 6,597 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/16/2010 | | M | 700 <u>(1)</u> A | \$ 62.31 <u>(1)</u> 7,105 | D | |

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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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | | | | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 1,040 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | | | | | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 1,040 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 54.28 | | | | | 09/01/2008 ⁽⁵⁾ | 09/01/2018 | Common Stock | 6,250 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 51.48 | | | | | 09/10/2007 ⁽⁶⁾ | 09/10/2017 | Common Stock | 1,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 41.15 | 12/16/2010 | | M | <u>500</u> ⁽¹⁾ | 09/10/2005 ⁽⁷⁾ | 09/10/2015 | Common Stock | 500 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 33.28 | 12/16/2010 | | M | <u>200</u> ⁽¹⁾ | 09/10/2004 ⁽⁸⁾ | 09/10/2014 | Common Stock | 200 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Lisenby Jeffrey Patton C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811 | | | Senior Vice-President | Corporate Secretary |

Signatures

Jeffrey P. Lisenby 12/17/2010

**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) Cashless exercise of options on 12/16/10
 - (2) The 508 shares disposed of reflect 438 shares withheld by the issuer to fund the cashless exercise of 700 options on 12/16/10, and 70 shares withheld by the issuer to cover the associated tax liability.

Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of ProAssurance Corporation common stock, issueable from the ProAssurance 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest if the reporting person remains continuously employed by ProAssurance or one of its subsidiaries until February 26, 2013 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon termination of employment as the result of (i) death; (ii) disability; or (iii) Good Reason, as defined in the reporting person's employment agreement with ProAssurance Corporation, or by action of the Compensation Committee of the ProAssurance Corporation Board of Directors. The RSUs will be settled in shares of ProAssurance Common Stock and in cash, with the cash portion being approximately equal to the federal, state, and local taxes.
 - (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of ProAssurance Corporation common stock, issueable from the 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest if the reporting person remains continuously employed by ProAssurance or one of its subsidiaries until February 26, 2012 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon termination of employment as the result of (i) death; (ii) disability; or (iii) Good Reason, as defined in the reporting person's employment agreement with ProAssurance Corporation, or by action of the Compensation Committee of the ProAssurance Corporation Board of Directors. The RSUs will be settled in shares of ProAssurance Common Stock and in cash, with the cash portion being approximately equal to the federal, state, and local taxes.
 - (4) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 1, 2008
 - (5) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2007
 - (6) The options vested in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2005
 - (7) The options vested in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2004

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