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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Phelps II John A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

Fidelity & Guaranty Life [FGL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner Other (specify

TWO RUAN CENTER, 601

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below) SVP, Chief Distr. Officer

LOCUST STREET, 14TH FLOOR

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/12/2016

X 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

DES MOINES, IA 50309

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4)

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

(9-02)

(A) or

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock

Security

(Instr. 3)

12/12/2016

Code V Amount $F^{(1)}$

910

D \$ 24 8,972 (2) 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price Derivat Security (Instr. 5 |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 38.14 | | | | | <u>(3)</u> | 11/02/2018 | Common Stock (3) | (3) | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 24.87 | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | 12/01/2021 | Common Stock | 3,825 | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 49.45 | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | 12/31/2019 | Common Stock (5) | <u>(5)</u> | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17 | | | | | <u>(6)</u> | 12/12/2020 | Common Stock | 5,910 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Phelps II John A. TWO RUAN CENTER 601 LOCUST STREET, 14TH FLOOR DES MOINES, IA 50309

SVP, Chief Distr. Officer

Signatures

/s/ Erica Fine, Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Represents the withholding by the Issuer of restricted stock to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock, which has been approved pursuant to the requirements of Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Includes restricted stock.
- The option entitles the reporting person to receive, upon exercise, a cash payment equal to the excess of the fair market value of a share of Class A Common Stock of the F&G Subsidiary, over the exercise price of the option. It is expected that the fair market value of a share of Class A Common Stock of the F&G Subsidiary will be derived from the value of the Common Stock of the Issuer. The remaining portion of this option became exercisable as to 4,032 shares on November 2, 2013 and 4,032 shares on November 2, 2014.
- (4) The option vests in three equal annual installments on December 1, 2015, 2016 and 2017, subject to continued employment through such date.
- The option entitles the reporting person to receive, upon exercise, a cash payment equal to the excess of the fair market value of a share of Class B Common Stock of F&G Subsidiary, over the exercise price of the option. It is expected that the fair market value of a share of Class B Common Stock of the F&G Subsidiary will be derived from the value of the Common Stock of the Issuer. The option became exercisable as to 1,818 shares on December 31, 2013, 1,819 shares on December 31, 2014, and 1,818 shares on December 31, 2015.
- (6) The option vests in three equal annual installments on December 12, 2014, 2015 and 2016, subject to continued employment through such date.

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