

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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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 *
Welzenbach Mark Joseph

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. [THG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
440 LINCOLN STREET, S-316
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

WORCESTER, MA 01653

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 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 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 | 02/16/2016 | | M | | 4,850 | A | \$ 36.81 |
| | | | | | | | 25,344 |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2016 | | S | | 4,850 | D | \$ 82.1248 |
| | | | | | | | 20,494 |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2016 | | M | | 1,400 | A | \$ 36.81 |
| | | | | | | | 21,894 |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2016 | | S | | 1,400 | D | \$ 82.05 |
| | | | | | | | 20,494 |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Common Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 36.81 | 02/16/2016 | | M | 4,850 | <u>(2)</u> 01/20/2022 | Common Stock | 4,850 |
| Common Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 36.81 | 02/17/2016 | | M | 1,400 | <u>(2)</u> 01/20/2022 | Common Stock | 1,400 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Welzenbach Mark Joseph 440 LINCOLN STREET S-316 WORCESTER, MA 01653 | | | Senior Vice President | |

Signatures

/s/ Matthew R. Frascella pursuant to Confirming Statement

02/18/2016

__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).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple prices ranging from \$82.05 to \$82.28, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide The Hanover Insurance Group, Inc. ("THG"), any security holder of THG, or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth above.

(1) The option, representing the right to purchase a total of 12,500 shares, vested 50% on 1/20/15, and the remaining 50% vested on 1/20/16.

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