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December 16, 2016 **OMB APPROVAL** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BENOIST PETER** Issuer Symbol ENTERPRISE FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) SERVICES CORP [EFSC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 150 N. MERAMEC 12/15/2016 President & CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ST. LOUIS, MO 63105 Person

(0	City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	on-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title Securi (Instr.	ty	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Ionth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		actio	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Com		12/15/2016		G	V	24,272	D	\$ 40.5	128,756	I	By Trust
Comi		12/15/2016		G	V	24,272	A	\$ 40.5	24,272	I	Charitable Remainder Trust
Com									107,315	D	
Com									1,178	I (1)	401 (k) Plan

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.9					01/05/2011(2)	01/05/2018	Common Stock	3,970
Restricted Share Units	<u>(3)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	558
Stock Settled Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 25.63					12/15/2007(5)	06/15/2017	Common Stock	16,508
Stock Settled Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 20.63					12/15/2008(6)	06/13/2018	Common Stock	43,178
Stock Settled Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 21.49					09/24/2009(7)	09/24/2018	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BENOIST PETER	X		President & CEO				

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/s/ Peter Benoist 12/16/2016

**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 reporting person holds units in the stock fund and the number of shares reported as indirectly held in the 401 (k) plan in this row is an estimate of the number of shares of the issuer's Common Stock held in the unitized stock fund and allocated to the reporting person's account.
- (2) Options vest 33% per year for three years
- The RSUs were granted pursuant to the Company's 2002 Stock Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of Common Stock, subject to adjustment as provided in the Grant Agreement.
- The RSUs vest at a rate of 20% annually over five years, subject to continued employment of the reporting person. Vesting occurs on (4) December 15 of each year, commencing in the calendar year of the grant. On each vesting date, for each RSU vesting on such date, the reporting person will receive one share of Common Stock.
- Each SSAR consists of the right to receive an amount, in common stock, equal to the excess of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of exercise over the exercise price of the SSAR. The SSARs vest at a rate of 20% annually over five years, subject to continued employement of the reporting person. Vesting occurs on December 15 of each year, commencing December 15, 2007
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