UNIVERSAL INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC.

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **DOWNES SEAN P**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

UNIVERSAL INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC. [UVE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2008

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Senior VP and COO

1110 WEST COMMERCIAL **BOULEVARD**,, SUITE 100

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309

(State)

(Street)

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securit		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	A manust	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common			Code v	Amount 66,316	(D)	\$			
Stock	01/11/2008		M	(1)	A	0.5	2,538,750	D	
Common	01/11/2008		M	10,445	A	\$	2,549,195	D	
Stock	01,11,2000		1/1	(2)		1.1	2,5 1,7,1,5		
Common Stock	01/11/2008		M	93,208 (3)	A	\$ 3.8	2,642,403	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D: (D)	rities nired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exerci Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount o Number o Shares
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 0.5	01/11/2008		M		66,316 (1)	12/21/2001	12/21/2011	Common Stock	100,000
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 1.1	01/11/2008		M		10,445 (2)	12/31/2000	12/23/2009	Common Stock	15,000
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 3.8	01/11/2008		M		93,208	02/14/2007	02/14/2012	Common Stock	350,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DOWNES SEAN P 1110 WEST COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD, SUITE 100 FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309	X		Senior VP and COO			

Signatures

/s/ Sean P.	
Downes	01/15/2008
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
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- * 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) Amount reflects aggregate number of shares of Common Stock received after exercise of options to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock. The exercise included a cashless exercise component to cover the statutory tax liability associated with such exercise.
- (2) Amount reflects aggregate number of shares of Common Stock received after exercise of options to purchase 15,000 shares of common stock. The exercise included a cashless exercise component to cover the statutory tax liability associated with such exercise.
- (3) Amount reflects aggregate number of shares of Common Stock received after cashless exercise of options to purchase 350,000 shares of comon stock. The cashless exercise included an amount necessary to cover the statutory tax liability associated with such exercise.

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