

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(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)
 01/19/2015

____ 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 or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2015 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 3,375 (1) | A | \$ 0 29,971 D |
| Common Stock | 01/20/2015 | | F | | 549 (2) | D | \$ 69.64 29,422 D |
| Common Stock | 01/20/2015 | | F | | 426 (3) | D | \$ 69.64 28,996 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. 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

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 01/21/2015

__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).

On January 20, 2012, the Reporting Person was granted 2,250 (target) performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRsUs") pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The PBRsUs were subject to both a time-based and a performance condition, and the actual award could be as low as zero and as high as 150% of target depending on the level of performance achieved. On January 19, 2015, the

- (1) Compensation Committee determined that the level of performance achieved entitled the holders of the PBRsUs to 150% of their target award. Accordingly, on January 19, 2015, the PBRsUs' performance criteria vested, and the PBRsUs converted into the number of restricted stock units indicated on this Form 4. 50% of the restricted stock units vest on each of the third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) On January 20, 2015, 50% of the restricted stock units described in Footnote 1 vested. Represents shares that were forfeited to pay withholding taxes upon the vesting of these restricted stock units.
- (3) Represents shares that were forfeited to pay withholding taxes upon the vesting of restricted stock units that were previously granted by the Issuer.

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