

UNITED FIRE GROUP INC  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 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 *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Helbing Kevin W.		(Month/Day/Year)	UNITED FIRE GROUP INC [UFCS]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
118 SECOND AVENUE SE			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
CEDAR RAPIDS,Â IAÂ 52401			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			Assistant VP/Interim PFO	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common	65 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By Issuer's Employee Stock Ownership Plan for self

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/19/2015	02/19/2020	Common	375	\$ 16.89	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	02/18/2021	Common	1,000	\$ 20.54	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (3)	02/24/2022	Common	1,500	\$ 20.93	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (4)	02/15/2023	Common	2,000	\$ 23.96	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (5)	02/21/2024	Common	2,500	\$ 29.61	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Helbing Kevin W. 118 SECOND AVENUE SE CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52401	Â	Â	Â Assistant VP/Interim PFO	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Kevin W. Helbing by Barrie W. Ernst,  
Attorney-in-Fact

11/20/2014

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 approximate number of shares (excluding fractionals) in the Issuer's Employee Stock Ownership Plan allocated for the Reporting Person's benefit.
- (2) 500 options each become vested and exercisable on 02/18/2015 and 02/18/2016, respectively.
- (3) 500 options each become vested and exercisable on 02/24/2015, 02/24/2016 and 02/24/2017, respectively.
- (4) 500 options each become vested and exercisable on 02/15/2015, 02/15/2016, 02/15/2017 and 02/15/2018, respectively.
- (5) 500 options each become vested and exercisable on 02/21/2015, 02/21/2016, 02/21/2017, 02/21/2018, 02/21/2019 and 02/21/2020, respectively.

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