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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

Wilkinson Thomas

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

Derivative

Security

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS

CORP /DE/ [HMN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2011

(Street)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) **Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715

1 HORACE MANN PLAZA

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Conversion

or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration

(Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of

(D) (Instr. 3, 4,

and 5)

Code V (A)

(D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date

Title

Common

Stock equivalent units

\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 12/30/2011

A 32.655

08/08/1988(2) 08/08/1988(2)

Common Stock Ar or Nu of

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Wilkinson Thomas

1 HORACE MANN PLAZA SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Ann M. Caparros, Attorney in Fact for Thomas C. Wilkinson

01/04/2012

**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).
- (1) Each Common Stock equivalent unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Common Stock.

The Common Stock equivalent units are estimated based on the market price of Horace Mann Educators Corporation Common Stock and are acquired under the Horace Mann Educators Corporation 2010 Comprehensive Executive Compensation Plan which is to be settled 100% in cash on the earlier of the reporting person's retirement date, termination date or a date specified by the reporting person.

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