Essent Group Ltd. Form 4 January 04, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCALEE LAWRENCE E JR

> (First) (Middle)

C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD., CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 **CHURCH STREET**

(Street)

(State)

HAMILTON, D0 HM11

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/01/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

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

Common

\$0.015

shares, par value

01/01/2017

F

3,533

(A)

or

Price

276,326

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

MCALEE LAWRENCE E JR C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD. CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 CHURCH STREET HAMILTON, D0 HM11

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Lawrence E. 01/04/2017 McAlee

**Signature of Reporting Date Person

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) Represents shares delivered to issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted shares.

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