

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.
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FORM 4

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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)
 02/23/2016

____ 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)
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(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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/23/2016		A ⁽¹⁾		3,225 A \$ 0	D	25,134
Common Stock	02/26/2016		F		1,047 ⁽²⁾ D \$ 83.76	D	24,087
Common Stock	02/26/2016		F		698 ⁽³⁾ D \$ 83.76	D	23,389

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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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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 03/01/2016

**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 February 26, 2013, the Reporting Person was granted 2,150 (target) performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRsUs") pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The PBRsUs were subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting conditions.
- (1) February 23, 2016, the performance condition for this award was certified at 150% of the target award, vesting the performance condition of the PBRsUs and converting the award into a restricted stock unit for the number of shares indicated. The restricted stock unit vested 100% on the third anniversary of the original PBRsUs grant date.
 - (2) On February 26, 2016, 100% 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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