AMERUS GROUP CO/IA

Form 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** BROOKS ROGER K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERUS GROUP CO/IA [AMH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
699 WALNUT STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2006	XDirector 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
DES MOINES	, IA 50309			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/06/2006	10/06/2006	G	1	A	\$ 0	25,103.69	I	Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust
Common Stock	10/06/2006	10/06/2006	G	7,720	D	\$ 0	17,383.69	I	Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust
Common Stock	10/26/2006	10/26/2006	G	300	D	\$0	8,700	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	10/06/2006	10/06/2006	G	200	D	\$0	0	D	
Series A	09/13/2006	09/13/2006	D(1)	24,000	D	\$	0	I	RKB

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Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock	26.48			Partnership, L.P.
Common Stock		7,159.477	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock		5,000	I	RKB Partnership, L.P.

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo
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								or		
					Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
					Exercisable	Date		of		
			Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BROOKS ROGER K 699 WALNUT STREET DES MOINES, IA 50309	X							
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Signatures

/s/ Jeananne M. Celander, attorney-in-fact for Mr. 11/13/2006 **Brooks**

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) The Issuer redeemed all of its issued and outstanding shares of Series A Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock on September 13, 2006.

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