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HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/ Form 4 October 02, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Wright Charles R. Issuer Symbol HORACE MANN EDUCATORS (Check all applicable) CORP /DE/ [HMN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 15830 DORSET LANE 09/30/2008 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting FORT MYERS, FL 33908 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 1.Title of 3. 4. Securities 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Disposed of (D) any (Instr. 8) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership **(I)** (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (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. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

 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. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration	7. Title and Amour
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Date	Underlying Securit
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(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	Amc or Num of Sł
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	09/30/2008		A		41.465		08/08/1988 <u>(2)</u>	08/08/1988 <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	41.4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Wright Charles R. 15830 DORSET LANE FORT MYERS, FL 33908	Х						
Signatures							
Phonds P. Armstead Attorney in Fact for Charles							

Wright	10/02/2008
**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) One-for-one.

(2) The phantom stock units are estimated based on the market price of Horace Mann Educators Corporation Common Stock and are to be settled in Common Stock pursuant to the Horace Mann Educators Corporation Deferred Equity Compensation Plan for Directors.

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