

Skogman Kyle D.
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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 *
Skogman Kyle D.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITED FIRE GROUP INC
[UFCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O.
BOX 73909

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/16/2012

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

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

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	05/16/2012		A ⁽¹⁾	582 A \$ 20.9	12,212 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock					3,520 ⁽³⁾	I	See footnote #3

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 (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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.095	05/16/2012		A	2,145	(4) 05/16/2022	Common Stock	2,145

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Skogman Kyle D. 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909	X			

Signatures

/s/ Kyle D. Skogman by Dianne M. Lyons, Attorney-in-Fact 05/18/2012

**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) Represents the grant of restricted stock to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2005 Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan. These shares vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 16, 2013.
The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the reporting person following the reported transaction includes: 10,900 shares held in a trust account for which Mr. Skogman serves as trustee; 730 shares held jointly in a brokerage account by Mr. Skogman and his wife; and 582 shares of restricted stock which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 16, 2013.
The total number of securities beneficially held indirectly by the reporting person following the reported transaction includes: 670 shares held in a simplified employee pension (SEP) account for Mr. Skogman's benefit; 200 shares held in an individual retirement account for Mr. Skogman's benefit; 1,000 shares held individually by Mr. Skogman's wife; 1,500 shares held in a trust account for the benefit of Mr. Skogman's wife; and 150 shares held in an individual retirement account for the benefit of Mr. Skogman's wife.
- (4) 2,145 options become exercisable in five equal installments of 429 options each on 05/16/2013, 05/16/2014, 05/16/2015, 05/16/2016 and 05/16/2017.

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