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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue.

| 1. Name and Ad- Welch Ronald | • | ing Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | | AMERICAN NATIONAL INSURANCE CO /TX/ [ANAT] | (Check all applicable) | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | Director 10% Owner | | |
| ONE MOODY PLAZA (Street) | | | (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2013 | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) See Remarks 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
| | | | 03/01/2013 | | | |
| | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | |
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| GALVESTO | N, TX 77550 |) | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) (| (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|---|-----------|------------------|-------------|--|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | d of (D) | Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) | Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock (1) | 03/01/2013 | | M | 3,178 | A | \$ 0 | 5,939 | D | |
| Common Stock (2) | 03/01/2013 | | F | 795 | D | \$ 80.05 | 5,144 | 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 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Numb orDerivativ Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5) | es d (A) or d of (D) | 6. Date Exercisab Date (Month/Day/Year | | 7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------|--|-----------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title I |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 03/01/2013 | | M | (A) | , , | 03/01/2013(4) | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 03/01/2013 | | M | | 1,125 | 03/01/2013(5) | 03/01/2015(5) | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 03/01/2013 | | A | 3,903 | | 03/01/2014(6) | 03/01/2016(6) | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / | Address | Relationships |
|------------------------|---------|---------------|
| | | |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Welch Ronald Jay

ONE MOODY PLAZA See Remarks GALVESTON, TX 77550

Signatures

Ronald J. Welch 03/04/2013

**Signature of 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) This transaction represents the settlement of vested restricted stock units in shares of common stock.
- (2) Shares withheld at the election of the reporting person to satisfy applicable tax obligations.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive, upon vesting, one share of the issuer's common stock or, at the election of the reporting person, cash in an amount equal to the closing price of such stock on the date of vesting.
- (4) This entire restricted stock unit award vested on March 1, 2013.
- (5) These restricted stock units vest in three substantially equal annual installments, beginning on March 1, 2013, or upon the reporting person's earlier retirement, death or disability.

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(6) These restricted stock units vest in three substantially equal annual installments, beginning on March 1, 2014, or upon the reporting person's earlier retirement, death or disability.

Remarks:

Senior Executive Vice President, Corporate Risk Officer & Chief Actuary

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