

Essent Group Ltd.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â MCALEE LAWRENCE E JR | | (Month/Day/Year) | Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 10/30/2013 | |
| C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD., Â CLARENDON HOUSE | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| 2 CHURCH STREET | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| (Street) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| HAMILTON, Â D0Â HM 11 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | (give title below) (specify below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | Sr. VP & CFO | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

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|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of | |

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| | | | | Shares | | or Indirect (1) (Instr. 5) | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|---------------|-------------|--------|----------------------------------|---|
| Class A Common Shares | Â (1) | Â (1) | Common Shares | 67,854 (3) | \$ (1) | D | Â |
| Class B-2 Common Shares | Â (2) | Â (2) | Common Shares | 144,468 (4) | \$ (2) | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MCALEE LAWRENCE E JR C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD. CLARENDON HOUSE 2 CHURCH STREET HAMILTON,Â D0Â HM 11 | Â | Â | Â Sr. VP & CFO | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Mary Lourdes Gibbons,
attorney-in-fact

10/30/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 Class A Common Shares automatically convert into Common Shares, par value \$0.015 per share, after giving effect to the 2 for 3 share split, immediately prior to consummation of the issuer's initial public offering.
The Class B-2 Common Shares that are eligible to vest under the issuer's Amended and Restated 2009 Restricted Share Plan (the "2009 Plan") automatically convert into Common Shares, par value \$0.015 per share, after giving effect to the 2 for 3 share split, immediately prior to consummation of the issuer's initial public offering and any Class B-2 Common Shares that are not eligible to vest under the 2009 Plan are forfeited immediately prior to consummation of the issuer's initial public offering.
- (3) Includes 35,779 restricted shares granted under the issuer's Annual Leadership Bonus Plan, of which 17,624 vest on January 1, 2014, 11,836 vest on January 1, 2015 and the remaining restricted shares vest on January 1, 2016.
- (4) Includes 48,156 restricted shares granted under the issuer's 2009 Plan that vest on June 1, 2014.

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Remarks:

ExhibitÂ List:Â ExhibitÂ 24Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

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