

FRIEDMAN HOWARD H
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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 *
FRIEDMAN HOWARD H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROASSURANCE CORP [PRA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/04/2008

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Senior Vice-President / Co-President of Subsidiary

C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION, 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/03/2008 | | P | 112 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 53.23 | 17,406 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 914 | I | IRA |
| Common Stock | | | | | 173 | I | Spouse's IRA |

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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 Acquired (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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 54.28 | | | | | 09/01/2008 ⁽²⁾ 09/01/2018 | Common Stock | 12,500 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 51.48 | | | | | 09/10/2007 09/10/2017 | Common Stock | 12,500 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 51.38 | | | | | 09/11/2006 ⁽³⁾ 09/11/2016 | Common Stock | 12,500 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 41.15 | | | | | 09/10/2005 ⁽⁴⁾ 09/10/2015 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 33.28 | | | | | 09/10/2004 ⁽⁵⁾ 09/10/2014 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 22 | | | | | 09/04/2003 ⁽⁶⁾ 03/04/2013 | Common Stock | 25,000 |

Buy)

Employee

Stock

Option \$ 16.8

(Right to

Buy)

07/15/2002⁽⁷⁾ 11/05/2012 Common Stock 50,000

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FRIEDMAN HOWARD H C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811 | | | Senior Vice-President | Co-President of Subsidiary |

Signatures

Frank B. O'Neil, POA for Howard H.
Friedman

03/04/2008

__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) Shares acquired in the amended and restated ProAssurance Stock Ownership Plan. Purchases under this plan are exempt under Rule 16b-3(c)
- (2) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 1, 2008
- (3) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 11, 2006
- (4) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2005
- (5) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2004
- (6) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 4, 2003
- (7) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on July 15, 2002

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