Drahozal Christopher R Form 4 May 17, 2013

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Drahozal Christopher R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

[UFCS]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2013

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Other (specify

118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O. **BOX 73909**

(State)

(First)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Issuer

below)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

(Zip)

(Middle)

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D)

Common 05/15/2013

 $5,676 \frac{(1)}{2}$ D

Common

Stock

Stock

420 \$0 A A

> See 384,698 (2) I footnote #2

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. Transactic 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) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 28.925 | 05/15/2013 | | A | 1,755 | (3) | 05/15/2023 | Common Stock | 1,755 |

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Christopher R. Drahozal by Dianne M. Lyons, Attorney-in-Fact

05/17/2013

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**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).
- The number of shares beneficially held directly by the Reporting Person following the reported transaction includes: 2,582 shares held by Mr. Drahozal individually; 2,674 shares held jointly by Mr. Drahozal and his wife; and 420 shares of restricted stock issued to Mr. Drahozal under the Issuer's 2005 Non-Qualified Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on May 15, 2014.
- The number of shares beneficially held indirectly by the Reporting Person following the reported transaction includes: 243,086 shares (2) held directly by Mr. Drahozal's wife; 74,714 shares held by Mr. Drahozal's children; and 66,898 shares held by a trust for the benefit of Mr. Drahozal's children where he and his wife serve as co-trustees.
- 1,755 options become exercisable in five equal installments of 351 options each on 05/15/2014, 05/15/2015, 05/15/2016, 05/15/2017 and 05/15/2018

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