

Lauber Scott J
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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 *
Lauber Scott J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WEC ENERGY GROUP, INC.
[WEC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
231 WEST MICHIGAN STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/19/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive VP and CFO

MILWAUKEE, WI 53203

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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V				
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	01/19/2018	A <u>(2)</u>	140.0556		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	140.0556

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lauber Scott J 231 WEST MICHIGAN STREET MILWAUKEE, WI 53203			Executive VP and CFO	

Signatures

Joshua M. Erickson, as attorney in fact	01/23/2018
<u>**Signature of Reporting Person</u>	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) One-for-one.
- (2) These phantom stock units were acquired pursuant to a deferral of compensation in an acquisition exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).
- (3) These phantom stock units were accrued under the WEC Energy Group, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan ("EDCP") and are to be settled following the reporting person's retirement or other termination of employment.
- (4) Includes phantom stock units accrued pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the WEC Energy Group, Inc. EDCP in transactions exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

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