

UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

Form 4

June 18, 2013

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SCHARMER NEAL R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O.
BOX 73909

(Street)

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
UNITED FIRE GROUP INC
[UFCS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/14/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
VP/General Counsel/Corp Sec

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	06/14/2013		J ⁽¹⁾	V ⁽²⁾	21 ⁽³⁾	A \$ 27.25 ⁽⁴⁾	6,579 ⁽⁵⁾	D	
Common Stock	06/14/2013	06/17/2013 ⁽⁶⁾	P ⁽⁷⁾	V ⁽⁸⁾	6 ⁽⁹⁾	A \$ 27.25 ⁽¹⁰⁾	672 ⁽¹¹⁾	I	By 401(k) Plan for Self
Common Stock							829	I	By Issuer's Employee Stock Ownership Plan for

self

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. 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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P.O. BOX 73909
CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

VP/General Counsel/Corp Sec

Signatures

/s/ Neal R. Scharmer by Barrie W. Ernst,
Attorney-in-Fact

06/18/2013

__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 through participation in the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) This transaction is exempt under Rule 16a-11 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is voluntarily reported.
- (3) Represents the approximate number of shares (excluding fractionals) acquired through the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan for the Reporting Person's benefit.

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- (4) The price per share is the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the date of the reported transaction.
- The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the Reporting Person following the reported transaction includes: 3,159 shares held by Mr. Scharmer; 1,974 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/18/2016; and 1,446 shares of restricted stock issued under the Issuer's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/15/2018.
- (5)
- (6) The deemed execution date of this transaction is the settlement date as provided by the Issuer's 401(k) Plan trustee/administrator.
- (7) Shares acquired through payroll deduction and participation in Issuer's 401(k) Plan.
- (8) This transaction qualifies as a non-discretionary transaction from a tax-qualified plan and is voluntarily reported on Form 4.
- (9) Represents the approximate number of shares (excluding fractionals) acquired by the trustee/administrator of the Issuer's 401(k) Plan for the Reporting Person's benefit, based on a statement of the 401(k) Plan trustee/administrator.
- (10) The price per share is based on a statement provided by the Issuer's 401(k) Plan trustee/administrator.
- The number of securities shown as being held in, acquired by or disposed of by the Issuer's 401(k) account for the Reporting Person's benefit are the approximate number of shares of common stock (excluding fractionals) for which the Reporting Person has the right to
- (11) direct the vote under the Issuer's 401(k) plan. Such shares are not directly allocated to 401(k) plan participants, but are instead held in a unitized fund consisting primarily of Issuer common stock, together with a small percentage of short-term investments. 401(k) Plan participants acquire units of this fund.

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