

GALLAGHER J PATRICK JR
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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 *
GALLAGHER J PATRICK JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO
[AJG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER &
CO., TWO PIERCE PLACE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/14/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

ITASCA, IL 60143

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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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2012 | | S | 50,000 (1) D 35.105 (1) | 106,320.507 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/14/2012 | | P | 50,000 (1) A 35.105 (1) | 113,814 | I | By Spouse (2) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 150,000 | I | By Corporation |
| Common Stock | | | | | 186,500 | I | By Trust (3) (4) |

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|---------------------------|---------|---|------------|
| Common Stock | 108,086 | I | By Trust 2 |
| Common Stock (restricted) | 25,245 | D | |

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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GALLAGHER J PATRICK JR ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143 | X | | President & CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ April
Hanes-Dowd 02/16/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Mr. Gallagher sold these shares to the Family Trust under the J. Patrick Gallagher, Jr. 2002 GRAT, of which his wife Anne M. Gallagher is the sole trustee, in exchange for a promissory note. The principal amount of the note was based on a price per share calculated using the

(1) average of the high and low price of Gallagher's common stock on the transaction date. The note also provides for the payment of interest at an annual rate of 1.12%. The outstanding principal, along with any accrued and unpaid interest, is due and payable on February 13, 2021.

(2) Shares held in revocable trust of which my spouse is sole Trustee and as to which I disclaim beneficial ownership.

(3) Held in trust for benefit of children.

(4) Held in trust for benefit of minor children.

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