Lyons Dianne M
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Lyons Dianne M

(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 & CASUALTY CO [UFCS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/18/2011

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 below)
_____ Other (specify below)
VP/Chief Financial Officer

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	02/18/2011		A		3,580	D	$ 20.54	6,285 (1)	D	
Common Stock								1,175	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. De Sec (In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 20.54 (2)	02/18/2011		A		8,704		(3)	02/18/2021	Common Stock	8,704	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 22.42 (2)							(4)	05/19/2020	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 33.43 (2)							(5)	05/21/2018	Common Stock	7,872	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 35.23 (2)							(6)	02/16/2017	Common Stock	10,000	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 39.13 (2)							(7)	02/17/2016	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 32.39 (2)							(7)	02/18/2015	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 21.66 (2)							(7)	02/20/2014	Common Stock	3,200	

Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 15.85 (2)		(7)	02/21/2013	Common Stock	1,600
Stock Options (right to buy)	$ 15.16 (2)		(7)	02/15/2012	Common Stock	400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lyons Dianne M 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909			VP/Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Dianne M. Lyons	02/22/2011
**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) The total number of securities beneficially held directly by the reporting person following the reported transaction includes: 3,580 shares of restricted stock issued under the Company's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 02/18/2016; 2,151 shares of restricted stock issued under the Company's 2008 Stock Plan which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 05/21/2013; and 554 shares held of record by Ms. Lyons directly.

(2) The exercise price of these stock options represents the closing price of issuer's common stock on the grant date.

(3) 8,704 options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1,741 options each on 02/18/2012, 02/18/2013, 02/18/2014 and 02/18/2015 and 1740 options exercisable on 02/18/2016.

(4) 3,000 options become exercisable in five equal installments of 600 option shares each on 05/19/2011, 05/19/2012, 05/19/2013, 05/19/2014 and 05/19/2015.

(5) 3,149 options currently exercisable; 1,574 options become exercisable on 05/21/2011; 1,574 options become exercisable on 05/21/2012; and 1,575 options become exercisable on 05/21/2013.

(6) 8,000 options currently exercisable and 2,000 options become exercisable on 02/16/2012.

(7) All options currently exercisable.

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