FRIEDMAN HOWARD H

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

FRIEDMAN HOWARD H				Symbol	SURANC				Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION, 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2008					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give titleX_ Other (specify below) Senior Vice-President / Co-President of Subsidiary			
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811				Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially (ly Owned				
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	03/03/2008			P	112 (1)	A	\$ 53.23	17,406	D		
	Common Stock								914	I	IRA	
	Common Stock								173	I	Spouse's IRA	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. 5. TransactionNumber Code of (Instr. 8) Deriva Securit Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 4, and				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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54.28					09/01/2008(2)	09/01/2018	Common Stock	12,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 51.48					09/10/2007	09/10/2017	Common Stock	12,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 51.38					09/11/2006(3)	09/11/2016	Common Stock	12,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.15					09/10/2005(4)	09/10/2015	Common Stock	25,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.28					09/10/2004(5)	09/10/2014	Common Stock	25,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 22					09/04/2003(6)	03/04/2013	Common Stock	25,000

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Buy)

Employee Stock

Option \$ 16.8

(Right to Buy)

07/15/2002⁽⁷⁾ 11/05/2012 Common Stock

50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FRIEDMAN HOWARD H C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

Senior Vice-President Co-President of Subsidiary

Signatures

Frank B. O'Neil, POA for Howard H. Friedman

03/04/2008

**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 in the amended and restated ProAssurance Stock Ownership Plan. Purchases under this plan are exempt under Rule 16b-3(c)
- (2) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 1, 2008
- (3) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 11, 2006
- (4) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2005
- (5) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2004
- (6) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 4, 2003
- (7) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on July 15, 2002

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