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FORM 4

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

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\$.0033 par 08/08/2012

value per share

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| | | | ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD. [ACGL] | | | | D. | (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|---|---------|-------|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) 300 PLAZA | (First) (A THREE, 3RD I | Middle) FLOOR | | of Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 2012 | | | | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO Arch Insur Gr | | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Secur | | ired, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deema Execution any (Month/Da | Date, if | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securiti mr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 | ed 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) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Shares, \$.0033 par value per share | 08/08/2012 | | | M | 11,000 | A | \$ 13 | 151,517 <u>(1)</u> | D | | |
| Common | | | | | | | \$ | | | | |

11,000 D

39.2853

(3)

140,517 (1)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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) | |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 13 | 08/08/2012 | | M | 11,000 | <u>(2)</u> | 09/22/2014 | Common Shares, \$.0033 par value per share | 11,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lyons Mark Donald 300 PLAZA THREE, 3RD FLOOR JERSEY CITY, NJ 07311

Chairman & CEO Arch Insur Gr

Signatures

/s/ Mark D. 08/09/2012 Lyons

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) 108,750 of such amount will settle in Issuer's common shares upon the termination of the Reporting Person's employment, as specifically provided in the award agreements.
- (2) The stock option became exercisable in three equal annual installments commencing on September 22, 2004, subject to the applicable award agreement.
- (3) Represents a weighted average sale price; the sales prices ranged from \$39.25 to \$39.35. Upon request, the full sale information regarding the number of shares sold at each price increment will be provided to the Commission or a security holder of the issuer.

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