

Quass Mary K.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Quass Mary K.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY CO  
[UFCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O.  
BOX 73909  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/19/2010

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

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction of | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. F |
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| Security (Instr. 3)          | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | Sec (In          |                 |              |                            |
|------------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
|                              |  |                      | Code            | V   | (A)              | (D)              | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 22.46                                 | 05/19/2010           | A               |   | 3,000            |                  | (1)              | 05/29/2020      | Common Stock | 3,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Quass Mary K.<br>118 SECOND AVENUE SE<br>P.O. BOX 73909<br>CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909 |               |           | X       |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Mary K. Quass by Dianne M. Lyons,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/20/2010

\_\_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) 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.

The total number of derivative securities beneficially held following the reported transaction includes: 10,066 stock options currently exercisable; 400 stock options vesting on 02/17/2011; 267 stock options vesting on 05/17/2011; 1,200 stock options vesting in three equal installments of 400 option shares each on 11/16/2010, 11/16/2011, and 11/16/2012; 2,400 stock options vesting in four equal installments of 600 option shares each on 05/21/2010, 05/21/2011, 05/21/2012, and 05/21/2013; and 3,000 stock options vesting 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.

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