

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 19, 2017, the board of directors (the "Board") of The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. (the "Company") elected Stephen P. McGill and Greig Woodring as directors of the Board. Mr. McGill was appointed to serve on the Board's Compensation and Management Development Committee and Finance, Investment and Risk Management Committee. Mr. Woodring was appointed to serve on the Board's Audit Committee and Finance, Investment and Risk Management Committee. The board terms for Mr. McGill and Mr. Woodring respectively will commence on December 20, 2017.

The Board has determined that Mr. McGill and Mr. Woodring each do not have a direct or indirect interest in any transaction with the Company that would qualify as a related party transaction under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, and that each director meets the applicable independence requirements of the New York Stock Exchange and the Company's Corporate Governance Guidelines.

As compensation for the remainder of the 2017-2018 Board service year, Mr. McGill and Mr. Woodring will each respectively receive a pro rata portion of the Company's annual cash retainer for non-management directors of \$100,000 in the amount of \$41,700 and a pro rata portion of the Company's equity compensation annual retainer of \$160,000 in the form of restricted stock units valued at \$66,700. The restricted stock units will be granted to each of the respective directors on the second trading day following the filing of the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, based on the Company's closing stock price on the grant date.

In addition, Mr. McGill and Mr. Woodring will each participate in other non-management director compensation arrangements described in the Company's 2017 proxy statement, including receiving \$100,000 of Group Term Life and \$750,000 of Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance and reimbursement for all travel expenses incurred in connection with their respective Board service.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.

October 19, 2017 By: /s/ Donald C. Hunt

Name: Donald C. Hunt

Title: Vice President and Corporate Secretary