State Auto Financial CORP Form 4 May 09, 2016

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FIORILE MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

34 SOUTH THIRD ST.

(Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2016

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

COLUMBUS, OH 43215

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

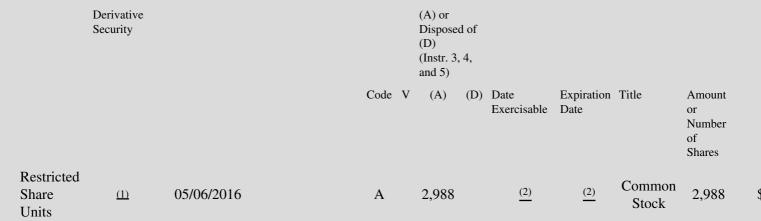
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date **Underlying Securities** Deri Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Secu (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (Inst

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FIORILE MICHAEL J				
34 SOUTH THIRD ST.	X			
COLUMBUS, OH 43215				

Signatures

Michael J. Fiorile by Melissa A. Centers, attorney in fact, per POA attached.

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

05/09/2016

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) Each restricted share unit represents a right to receive either one share of STFC common stock or the cash equivalent thereof, as further described in the Outside Directors Restricted Share Unit Plan..
- (2) The restricted share units become payable, in cash or common shares, at the election of the reporting person, upon the reporting person's termination of services as a director, following a 6 month vesting period.
- Includes restricted share units previously granted under Outside Directors Restricted Share Unit Plan and restricted share units credited with dividends, equivalent in value to those declared and paid onone share of STFC common stock; 13.952 restricted share units acquired on 6/30/15; 13.964 restricted share units acquired on 9/30/15; 15.955 restricted share units acquired on 12/31/15; and 14.989 restricted share units acquired on 3/31/16.

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