

CNO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. Reported by NICKELE CHRISTOPHER J

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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CARMEL, IN 46032

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Symbol CNO

SIC Code 6321 - Accident and Health Insurance

Industry Insurance (Life)

Sector Financial

Fiscal Year 12/31





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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP **OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *				2	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
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				3	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)						<i>′</i>		_	10% Ov		
11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA STREET											below)	XOfficer (give title below)Other (specify below) EVP, Product Management				
												6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
CARMEL, IN	(State)	(Zij	p)										Reporting Per		n	
		Table	I - Non-	Deriv	ati	ive Secur	itie	s Acquir	ed, Dispo	sed of, o	or Beneficially		•	<i>S</i>		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Tra	ans.	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	n C (I	ode Anstr. 8) I	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 an (A) or Amount (D)	or (Ins	mount of Securitioning Reported T tr. 3 and 4)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
Tab	le II - Dei	rivative	Securiti	es Be	ene	ficially O	wn	ed (e.g. ,	, puts, ca	lls, warr	ants, options	, convert	ible secur	ities)		
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date		Code	8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date				Derivative Security	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Options	\$5.75	5/6/2010		A		30000		(1)	5/6/2017	Common Stock	30000	\$0	30000	D		

Explanation of Responses:

(1) One-half of these options vests on May 6, 2012 and the other one-half vests on May 6, 2013.

Reporting Owners

Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Nickele Christopher J 11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA STREET			EVP, Product Management				
CARMEL, IN 46032							

Signatures

Karl W. Kindig, Attorney-in-Fact

5/10/2010

^{**} Signature of Reporting Person

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

- * 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).

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