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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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KEYSER RICHARD L				2. I	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [PFG]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
													X Director	X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(First)	(Mic	ddle)	3. I	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)					Officer (given	Officer (give title below) Other (specify bel								
711 HIGH STREET					9/27/2013														
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)								6. Individual Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
DES MOINES, IA 50392 (City) (State) (Zip)														_ X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	ole I - No	n-Deriv	ativ	e Securit	ies A	cqui	re	d, Dis	posed	d of,	or l	Beneficially Ow	ned	·			
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Common Stock 9				9/27/2	013			A		188	A	\$0	(1)	32	32503				
,	Table II - 1	Derivat	ive Secur	ities Be	nefi	cially Ow	vned	(e.g.	,]	puts,	calls,	war	ran	its, options, con	vertible	securities)	,	
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)	De Ac Di	Number of berivative Securities acquired (A) or bisposed of (D) instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date			7. Title and A Securities UnDerivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4		Underlying e Security	derlying Derivative security Security		Ownership Form of Derivative	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Explanation of Responses:

(1) Grant of restricted stock units.

Reporting Owners

reporting 5 where											
Deporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships										
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10%	Owner	Officer	Other						
KEYSER RICHARD L											
711 HIGH STREET	X										
DES MOINES, IA 50392											

Signatures

Joyce N. Hoffman, by Power of Attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
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