

RIFE JOHN A
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FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 RIFE JOHN A

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)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2009

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

118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O. BOX 73909

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Common Stock | 05/20/2009 | ^ | J4 ⁽¹⁾ | Amount (D) Price 439,953 D \$ 0 | 27,152 ⁽⁴⁾ | I | By self as co-trustee of company defined benefit pension plan and employee stock |

ownership
plan

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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 Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I |
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| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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P.O. BOX 73909
CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

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Signatures

/s/ John A. Rife by Dianne M. Lyons,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/12/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Effective the date of this transaction, Mr. Rife ceased being co-trustee of the Company's defined benefit pension plan and co-trustee of the Company's employee stock ownership plan.

(2) On the date of this transaction the Company's defined benefit pension plan held 202,058 shares of Company common stock.

(3) On the date of this transaction, the Company's employee stock ownership plan held 241,741 shares of Company common stock. 3,846 shares held in this plan are allocated for Mr. Rife's benefit. Mr. Rife disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares held in this plan that are not allocated for his benefit.

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- (4) The amount of securities beneficially held includes: 22,561 shares held in a joint account by Mr. Rife and his wife; 745 shares held individually by Mr. Rife's wife; and 3,846 shares held in the Company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan for Mr. Rife's benefit.

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