#### GOLDSBERRY RONALD E

Form 4

November 30, 2005

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### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GOLDSBERRY RONALD E |            |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |                       |  |
|---|------------|----------|--|--|-----------------------|--|
|   |            |          | UNUMPROVIDENT CORP [UNM]                           | (Check all a                                     | applicable)           |  |
| (Last)  | (First)    | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction                    |  |                       |  |
|   |            |          | (Month/Day/Year)                                   | _X_ Director                                     | 10% Owner             |  |
| 3290 CHESTNUT DRIVE   |            |          | 11/23/2005   | Officer (give title below)                       | Other (specify pelow) |  |
|   | (Street)   |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                     | 6. Individual or Joint/G                         | roup Filing(Check     |  |
|   |            |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                              | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Re        | eporting Person       |  |
| BLOOMFIEL   | D HILLS, N | MI 48302 |  | Form filed by More th<br>Person                  | an One Reporting      |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Tab   | le I - Non-I                           | Derivative                                  | Secur  | ities Ac   | quired, Disposed   | of, or Benefic   | cially Owned  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--------|------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securit<br>on(A) or Dis<br>(Instr. 3, 4) | sposed | of (D)     | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/23/2005                              |   | S                                      | 16,463                                      | D      | \$<br>22.5 | 22,111 (1)   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/23/2005                              |   | S                                      | 8,800                                       | D      | \$<br>22.5 | 0  | I  | By Family<br>Limited<br>Partnership                               |

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 Derivative | 2. Conversion                            | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4.<br>Transacti    | 5.<br>orNumber | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration D |                    | 7. Title<br>Amount               |  | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu<br>Deriv  |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Security (Instr. 3)    | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Tear)                     | any (Month/Day/Year)          | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | of             | (Month/Day/                   |                    | Underly<br>Securiti<br>(Instr. 3 | ying<br>ies                            | Security (Instr. 5)    | Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|                        |  |                                      |                               | Code V             | (A) (D)        | Date<br>Exercisable           | Expiration<br>Date | Title N                          | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |                        |   |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| . 9  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |  |
| GOLDSBERRY RONALD E<br>3290 CHESTNUT DRIVE<br>BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48302 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |

## **Signatures**

By: Christopher A. Parrott on behalf of 11/23/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **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) All are deferred share rights

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