FOLEY JOSEPH R

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of FOLEY JOSEPH R	Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		UNUMPROVIDENT CORP [UNM]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
1 FOUNTAIN SQU	ARE	(Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2006	Director 10% Owner			
(Stree	et)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CHATTANOOGA,	TN 374021307	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securities A	cquired, Dispose	d of, or Benef	icially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock						20,543 (1)	D	
Common Stock						8,664	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock						2,625	I	By 401(k) non-qualified

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 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numbe owf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Expiration I e (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4)		Securities 4)	8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
MICP Premium Shares Dividends	(2)	02/17/2006		A	0.63	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	0.63	\$ 21
MICP Purchased Shares Dividends	(2)	02/17/2006		A	2	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	2	\$ 21

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FOLEY JOSEPH R 1 FOUNTAIN SQUARE CHATTANOOGA, TN 374021307

Senior Vice President

Signatures

By: Susan N. Roth on

behalf of 02/17/2006

**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) This amount includes: Employee Stock Purchase Plan 533 shares; Dividend Reinvestment Plan 758 shares; restricted stock 12,675 shares and shares owned (direct) outside of any plan 6,577 shares.
- (2) Conversion is one for one.
- (3) Exercisable with the original grant to which the dividend relates.

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(4) Not applicable.

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