EPPINGER FREDERICK H

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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Symbol

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. [THG]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

President and CEO

(Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2007

below)

THE HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC., 440 LINCOLN ST

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

WORCESTER, MA 01653

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities 3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Month/Day/Year)

Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

> Following Reported Transaction(s)

(A) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

or

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

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Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.46	02/23/2007		A	100,000		<u>(1)</u>	02/23/2017	Common	100,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
EPPINGER FREDERICK H THE HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. 440 LINCOLN ST WORCESTER, MA 01653	X		President and CEO			

Signatures

Frederick H.
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**Signature of Pote

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- Option to purchase issued pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan, which option becomes exercisable at the rate of 25% on February 23, 2008, 25% on February 23, 2009, and 50% on February 23, 2010.

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