CONNER DAVID E

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FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CONNER DAVID E | | | 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) 118 SECOND BOX 73909 | COND AVENUE SE, P.O. | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2010 | Director 10% Owner Selection Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP/Chief Claims Officer | | |
| CEDAR RAP | (Street) IDS, IA 524 | 107-3909 | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ 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 |
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| | | | Table 1 - Non-Delivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of or Delicherally Owned |

| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any | 3. Transaction Code | 4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (D) Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|--|----------------------------------|
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (A) or | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 05/14/2010 | 05/18/2010(1) | Code V $P V^{(2)}$ | \$ | 2.45 2,552 (5) (6) | I | By 401(k) Plan for self |

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)

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| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number coof 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) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|-----------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 22.42 | 05/19/2010 | | A | 3,000 | <u>(7)</u> | 05/19/2020 | Common Stock | 3,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CONNER DAVID E 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

VP/Chief Claims Officer

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Signatures

/s/ David E. Conner by Dianne M. Lyons, Attorney-in-Fact

05/20/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The deemed execution date of this transaction is the statement date as provided by the plan trustee/administrator.
- (2) This transaction qualifies as a non-discretionary transaction from a tax conditioned plan and is voluntarily reported on Form 4.
- (3) Represents the approximate number of shares acquired by the trustee/administrator of the Company 401(k) account for Mr. Conner's benefit, based on a statement of the trustee/administrator.
- (4) The price per share is based on a statement provided by the plan trustee/administrator.
- Th number of securities shown as being held in or acquired or disposed of by the Company 401(k) account for Mr. Conner's benefit is the approximate number of shares of common stock for which Mr. Conner has the right to direct the vote under the 401(k) plan. Such shares are not directly allocated to plan participants, but are instead held in a unitized fund consisting primarily of common stock, together with a small percentage of short-term investments. Participants acquire units of this fund.
- The number of securities beneficially held following the reported transaction includes: 1,226 shares of restricted stock issued under

 Company's 2008 Stock Plan, which vest, subject to certain conditions, on 05/21/2013; 287 shares held in the Company's Employee Stock

 Ownership Plan for Mr. Conner's benefit; and approximately 1,039 shares held in a Company 401(k) account for Mr. Conner's benefit, based on a statement of the plan trustee/administrator.

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- (7) 3,000 options become exercisable in five equal installments of 600 option shares each on 05/19/2011, 05/19/2012, 05/19/2013, 05/19/2014 and 05/19/2015.
 - The total number of derivative securites beneficially held following the reported transaction includes: 10,397 stock options currently exercisable; 500 stock options vesting on 02/17/2011; 2,000 stock options vesting in two equal installments of 1,000 option shares each
- (8) on 02/16/2011, and 02/16/2012; 3,588 stock options vesting in four equal installments of 897 option shares each on 05/21/2010, 05/21/2011, 05/21/2012, and 05/21/2013; and 3,000 stock options vesting in five equal installments of 600 option shares each on 05/19/2011, 05/19/2012, 05/19/2013, 05/19/2014 and 05/19/2015.

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