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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading MATOVINA JOHN M Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

AMERICAN EQUITY
INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING (Check all applicable)

CO [AEL]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_{below} Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6000 WESTOWN PARKWAY (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2014

(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 Person

_X__ Director

WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Disposed of (D) Beneficially Beneficial Code (D) or (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Reported
Transaction(s)
or (Letter 2 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock 03/31/2014 M 4,000 A \$ 11 121,084 D

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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10% Owner

CEO & President

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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 proof 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
Options - Right to Buy	\$ 11	03/31/2014		M	4,000	12/31/2004	06/10/2014	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MATOVINA JOHN M 6000 WESTOWN PARKWAY WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266	X		CEO & President			
C: 1						

Signatures

Debra J. Richardson, by Power of Attorney 04/01/2014

**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).

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