AYER RAMANI Form 4

February 18, 2009

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HARTFORD FINANCIAL

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

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

AYER RAMANI

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

		SERVI	CES GRO	OUP INC	/DE	[HIG]	(Check an applicable)		
(Last) THE HARTI	(First) (N	(Month/I	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2009			_X_ Director _X_ Officer (given below)		6 Owner er (specify	
SERVICES OF HARTFORD	GROUP -, ONE PLAZA						Cila	irinan and CEC	,
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
		Filed(Mo	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
HARTFORE	O, CT 06155						Form filed by Merson	More than One Ro	eporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-E	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Restricted Stock Units							50,872.576	D	
Restricted Stock							23,533	D	
Common Stock							16,900	I (1)	By Limited Liability Company
Common Stock	02/15/2009		F(2)	8,134	D	\$ 12.46	286,853.27	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of 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	\$ 34					(3)	02/18/2010	Common Stock	228,294	
Stock Option	\$ 62.07					<u>(4)</u>	02/23/2011	Common Stock	222,046	
Stock Option	\$ 65.85					(5)	02/23/2012	Common Stock	201,556	
Stock Option	\$ 37.37					<u>(6)</u>	02/22/2013	Common Stock	171,465	
Stock Option	\$ 65.99					<u>(7)</u>	02/20/2014	Common Stock	96,723	
Stock Option	\$ 71.27					(8)	02/19/2015	Common Stock	79,454	
Stock Option	\$ 83					<u>(9)</u>	02/15/2016	Common Stock	71,750	
Stock Option	\$ 93.69					(10)	02/27/2017	Common Stock	61,313	
Stock Option	\$ 74.88					(11)	02/26/2018	Common Stock	85,771	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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AYER RAMANI
THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP ONE HARTFORD PLAZA
HARTFORD, CT 06155

Chairman and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Terence D. Shields, POA for Ramani Ayer by Power of Attorney of Ramani Ayer dated July 26, 2007.

02/18/2009

**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) Shares of common stock held by a Limited Liability Company of which Mr. Ayer and his spouse are the co-managing and sole members.
- Transaction involving a disposition to the Company of equity securities in satisfaction of tax withholding obligations in connection with vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) The option became fully exercisable as of April 11, 2000, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- The option became fully exercisable as of July 27, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (5) The option became fully exercisable on November 17, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- The option became fully exercisable as of June 18, 2003, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for 10 consecutive trading days.
- (7) The option became fully exercisable as of February 18, 2007, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (8) The option became fully exercisable on February 17, 2008, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (9) The option became fully exercisable on February 15, 2009, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 27, 2010, three years from the date of the grant.
- The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 26, 2011, three years from the date of the grant.

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