UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RIFE JOHN A

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol UNITED FIRE GROUP INC

[UFCS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

below)

Issuer

X_ Director 10% Owner

Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 118 SECOND AVENUE SE, P.O. 06/14/2013

(Middle)

BOX 73909

(City)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909

(State)

(Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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

5. Number of

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	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	06/14/2013		A(2)	V	1.7466		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	1.7466	
Phantom Stock	(1)	05/31/2013		A(3)		255.256		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	255.256	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RIFE JOHN A 118 SECOND AVENUE SE P.O. BOX 73909 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909	X						

Signatures

/s/ John A. Rife by Michael T. Wilkins, Attorney-in-Fact

09/04/2013

**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).
- Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock become payable, in (1) cash, in one lump sum or prorated over five year, at the election of the Reporting Person, upon the Reporting Person's termination of service as a director.
- (2) Phantom stock acquired through dividend reinvestment through the Issuer's 2012 Deferred Commpensation Plan for United Fire Group, Inc. Non-Employee Directors.
- (3) Phantom stock shares acquired through participation in the Issuer's 2012 Deferred Commpensation Plan for United Fire Group, Inc. Non-Employee Directors.

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