

RUE WILLIAM M
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RUE WILLIAM M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC [SIGI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/23/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

40 WANTAGE AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07890

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V Amount (D)	Price		
Common Stock	11/23/2004		G	V 2,500 (D)	\$ 0	176,322	D
Common Stock	11/24/2004		F	956 (D)	\$ 43.915	175,366	D
Common Stock	11/24/2004		M	3,000 (A)	\$ 14	178,366	D
Common Stock						16,292.006	I
							By C. Rue & Son
Common Stock						13,414.278 (1)	I
							In trust for daughter

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Common Stock	13,277.27 ⁽²⁾	I	In trust for Son
Common Stock	990	I	By wife
Common Stock	18,434	I	By Trust, of which Mr. Rue & Wachovia are Trustees

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 14	11/24/2004		M	3,000	03/01/1996 03/01/2005	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUE WILLIAM M 40 WANTAGE AVENUE BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07890		X		

Signatures

William M Rue 11/29/2004
 **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).
- (1) Includes 65,342 shares acquired through Selective Insurance Group, Inc.'s Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Includes 64,674 shares acquired through Selective Insurance Group, Inc.'s Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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