HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * EPPINGER FREDERICK H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. [THG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) THE HANOVI GROUP, INC.,			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2016	X Director 10% Owner Specify Delow) President & CEO
WORCESTER	(Street)		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 Acq	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/23/2016		A(1)	57,000	A	\$ 0	364,102	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2016		F(2)	26,819	D	\$ 83.76	337,283 <u>(3)</u>	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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
EPPINGER FREDERICK H THE HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. 440 LINCOLN ST WORCESTER, MA 01653	X		President & CEO			
Signatures						
/s/ Matthew R. Frascella pursuant to Confirming Statement		03/01/2016	5			

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- 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).
 - On February 26, 2013, the Reporting Person was granted 38,000 (target) performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRSUs") pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The PBRSUs were subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting conditions.

Date

- (1) On February 23, 2016, the performance condition for this award was certified at 150% of the target award, vesting the performance condition of the PBRSUs and converting the award into a restricted stock unit for the number of shares indicated. The restricted stock unit vested 100% on the third anniversary of the original PBRSU grant date.
- On February 26, 2016, 100% of the restricted stock units described in Footnote 1 vested. Represents shares that were forfeited to pay withholding taxes upon the vesting of these restricted stock units.
- (3) Does not include 200,612 shares held indirectly in a Rabbi Trust pursuant to deferral agreements.

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