

Essent Group Ltd.
Form 4
January 12, 2017

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WEINSTOCK DAVID B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O ESSENT GROUP
LTD., CLARENDON HOUSE, 2
CHURCH STREET**

(Street)

HAMILTON, D0 HM11

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT]

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

01/10/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

VP & Chief Accounting Officer

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

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	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)**

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price
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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)		Secu (Instr		
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted share units	(1)	01/10/2017	A		3,239		(1)	(1)	Common shares, par value \$0.015	3,239	\$ 3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WEINSTOCK DAVID B C/O ESSENT GROUP LTD. CLARENDON HOUSE, 2 CHURCH STREET HAMILTON, D0 HM11	VP & Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

/s/ Lawrence E. McAlee, as
attorney-in-fact 01/12/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Granted under the issuer's 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The restricted share units will be settled in the issuer's common shares, and will vest in equal installments on each of January 10, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

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