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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Roche John C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. [THG]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Director

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below) President and CEO

C/O THE HANOVER INSURANCE 01/23/2019

(Middle)

GROUP, INC., 440 LINCOLN

STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

WORCESTER, MA 01653

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

Following Reported

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount Price (D)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

01/23/2019

 $A^{(1)}$

2,425

(A)

\$0 33,480 ⁽²⁾ 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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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. Transactio 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
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.56 (3)					<u>(4)</u>	02/28/2021	Common Stock	13,039 (3)
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.29 (5)					<u>(4)</u>	01/20/2022	Common Stock	11,474 (5)
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.74 (7)					<u>(6)</u>	02/26/2023	Common Stock	21,383 (7)
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 55.6 (8)					<u>(6)</u>	02/19/2024	Common Stock	21,905 (8)
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 67.34 (9)					<u>(6)</u>	02/27/2025	Common Stock	22,531 (9)
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 79.33 (10)					<u>(11)</u>	02/23/2026	Common Stock	21,029 (10)
Common Stock Option (right to	\$ 87.43 (12)					(13)	02/24/2027	Common Stock	26,802 (12)

8. Prio Deriv

(Instr.

buy)

buy)

Common

Stock Option (right to

\$ 106.01 (15) 02/27/2028

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Roche John C

C/O THE HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC. 440 LINCOLN STREET

X

President and CEO

Common

Stock

70,784

(14)

WORCESTER, MA 01653

Signatures

/s/ Matthew R. Frascella pursuant to Confirming Statement

01/24/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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 23, 2016, the Reporting Person was granted 2,015 (target) performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRSUs") pursuant to the Issuer's 2014 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The PBRSUs were subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting conditions. On December 30, 2018, the Issuer announced the issuance of a \$4.75 special dividend payable on January 25, 2019 to all shareholders of record on January 10, 2019 (the "Special Dividend"). On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms of the award, the target amount of the

- PBRSUs was automatically adjusted to reflect the Special Dividend. On January 23, 2019, the performance condition for this award was certified at 115.38% 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 will vest 100% on the third anniversary of the original PBRSU grant date.
- (2) Includes 193 shares acquired by an automatic adjustment to previously granted time-based restricted stock unit awards on January 9, 2019 pursuant to the terms specified in the awards to reflect the Special Dividend.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 28, 2011. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$46.47 to \$44.56, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 12,500 to 13,039 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- (4) The award vested 50% on the third anniversary of the date of grant, and the remaining 50% vested on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on January 20, 2012. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$36.81 to \$35.29, and the number of remaining shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 11,000 to 11,474 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- (6) A third of the award vested on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 26, 2013. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$42.49 to \$40.74, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 20,500 to 21,383 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 19, 2014. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$57.99 to \$55.60, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 21,000 to 21,905 to reflect the Special Dividend.

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- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 27, 2015. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, (9) the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$70.24 to \$67.34, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 21,600 to 22,531 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 23, 2016. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, (10) the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$82.74 to \$79.33, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 20,160 to 21,029 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- (11) A third of the award vested on each of the first two anniversaries of the date of grant, and the remaining third will vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 24, 2017. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, (12) the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$91.19 to \$87.43, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 25,695 to 26,802 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- (13) A third of the award vested on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and an additional third will vest on each of the second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- Option award previously granted by the Issuer on February 27, 2018. On January 9, 2019, pursuant to the terms specified in the award, (14) the exercise price of this award was automatically adjusted from \$110.57 to \$106.01, and the number of shares underlying the award was automatically adjusted from 67,860 to 70,784 to reflect the Special Dividend.
- (15) A third of the award will vest on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.

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