Dupont Wesley D Form 4 February 21, 2013

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Dupont Wesley D Issuer Symbol Allied World Assurance Co (Check all applicable) Holdings, AG [AWH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE 02/19/2013 EVP & General Counsel CO. HOLDINGS, AG, LINDENSTRASSE 8 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6430 (City) (State) (Zin)

| (City) | (State) | Table Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3. Transactio | | Securities Acquired A) or Disposed of (D) | | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | (A) | | Beneficially Owned Following | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | (113117-1) | |
| Common | 02/19/2013 | | Code V A | Amount 10,506 | (D) | Price \$ 0 | 64,394 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Shares Common | | | | (1) 5,879 | ъ | \$ | , <u> </u> | D | |
| Shares | 02/19/2013 | | F | (3) | D | 87.73 | 58,515 | 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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transac Code (Instr. 8 | 5. Number tion 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. P. Derri Seco (Ins |
|---|---|---|------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|--|-----------------------|
| | | | Code V | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(4)</u> | 02/19/2013 | A | 2,943 | (5) | (5) | Common Shares | 2,943 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Dupont Wesley D ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG LINDENSTRASSE 8 BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6430

EVP & General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Wayne H. Datz, by Power of Attorney

02/21/2013

**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).
- Represents the Company's Common Shares that were earned pursuant to a 2010 performance-based award for no monetary consideration and which vested at 103% of target based on the achievement of pre-established performance criteria during the applicable three-year performance period established under the Company's Third Amended and Restated 2004 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes 345 Common Shares acquired on June 30, 2012 and 42 Common Shares acquired on December 31, 2012 pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 2008 Employee Share Purchase Plan.
- (3) Exclusively represents shares withheld by the Company with respect to the payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of performance-based awards.
- (4) Grant of Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. Restricted Stock Units convert into cash equal to the market value of 2,943 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units.
- (5) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal installments with the first installment vesting on February 19, 2014.

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