#### EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JEAN SCOTT RONALD			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol EMC INSURANCE GROUP INC [EMCI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1580 WILLOV	(First) V DRIVE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2016	Director 10% Owner Normal Officer (give title Other (specify below) Exec. Vice President			
	(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			
WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	on-Der	ivat	ive Secur	ities A	Acquired, Di	sposed of, or Be	neficially Ow	ned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
EMCI-Common Stock	n 12/15/2	2016		M		1,635	A	\$ 16.27	18,185	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	n 12/15/2	2016		F		1,274	D	\$ 30.5	16,911	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	n 12/16/2	2016		M		1,065	A	\$ 16.27	17,976	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	n 12/16/2	2016		M		2,700	A	\$ 13.9887	20,676	D	
EMCI-Common Stock	n 12/16/2	2016		F		2,844	D	\$ 29.56 (1)	17,832	D	

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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 on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
NQO Right To Buy	\$ 16.27	12/15/2016		M	1,635	03/01/2012(2)	03/01/2021	Common Stock	1,635
NQO Right To Buy	\$ 16.27	12/16/2016		M	1,065	03/01/2012(2)	03/01/2021	Common Stock	1,065
NQO Right To Buy	\$ 13.9867	12/16/2016		M	2,700	03/01/2013(2)	03/01/2022	Common Stock	2,700

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

JEAN SCOTT RONALD 1580 WILLOW DRIVE WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266

Exec. Vice President

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### **Signatures**

SCOTT R. 12/16/2016 JEAN

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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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).
- (1) Price range was \$29.81 \$29.5132 for an average of \$29.56
- (2) Options vest in five equal annual installments (20%)beginning one year after date of grant.

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