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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

Common

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PENINGER MICHAEL J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

ASSURANT INC [AIZ] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner

ONE CHASE MANHATTAN PLAZA, 41ST FLOOR

(Month/Day/Year)

below)

X_ Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify below)

04/01/2006

Exec. VP; Pres. and CEO / Assurant **Employee Benefits**

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

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

Applicable Line)

Director

X 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

NEW YORK, NY 10005

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

Amount

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A) or

Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V

(D) Price

04/01/2006 Stock

A 1,959 A \$0 16,863.751 ⁽¹⁾ D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	5. Number of orDerivative Securities	6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5			
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 49.25	04/01/2006		A	35,924.16	12/31/2008	04/01/2011	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PENINGER MICHAEL J ONE CHASE MANHATTAN **PLAZA** 41ST FLOOR

Exec. VP; Pres. and Assurant Employee **CEO Benefits**

Signatures

NEW YORK, NY 10005

Lisa Richter 04/04/2006 Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- Includes 184.111 shares acquired under the Assurant, Inc. Amended and Restated 2004 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on December 31, 2005.

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