

DOWNES SEAN P
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DOWNES SEAN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNIVERSAL INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC. [UVE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1110 WEST COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/02/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
SVP and CO Officer

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	04/02/2012		M		53,145 (1)	A	\$ 2.31
					1,590,635	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 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 Number Shares
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 2.31	04/02/2012		M	200,000 (1)	06/05/2009	12/05/2013	Common Stock	200,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DOWNES SEAN P 1110 WEST COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309	X		SVP and CO Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Sean P.
Downes 04/04/2012
 **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).
 Amount reflects aggregate number of shares of Common Stock received after exercise of options to purchase 200,000 shares of Common Stock. The exercise was a "cashless exercise" that covered the cost required for the exercise of the options and the statutory tax liability associated with such exercise. The difference between the aggregate number of 200,000 shares underlying the options and the 53,145 shares ultimately acquired by the reporting person represents 146,855 shares withheld by the issuer at a market price of \$2.31 per share to cover such costs.

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