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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person - Nunez Fabian			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZENITH NATIONAL INSURANCE CORP [ZNT]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2010			___X___ Director ___ Officer (give title below)		
MERCURY PUBLIC AFFAIRS LLC, 1414 K STREET, 6TH FLOOR			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			___ 10% Owner ___ Other (specify below)		
(Street) SACRAMENTO, CA 95814			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/20/2010		D ⁽¹⁾		3,650	D	\$38	0	D	

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 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Phantom Stock	⁽²⁾	05/20/2010		M ⁽²⁾			2,596.45	⁽²⁾	⁽²⁾	Common Stock	2,596.45	\$38	0	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Nunez Fabian MERCURY PUBLIC AFFAIRS LLC 1414 K STREET, 6TH FLOOR SACRAMENTO, CA 95814	X			

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of February 17, 2010, among Zenith National Insurance Corp., Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited and Fairfax Investments II USA Corp. for cash consideration equal to \$38 per share.
- Each share of phantom stock is a deferred stock unit payable only in cash and is the economic equivalent of a share of the Issuer's common stock. Reporting Person's director compensation was deferred into deferred stock units pursuant to the terms of the Zenith National Insurance Corp. 2003
- (2) Non-employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan. Dividends payable on the common stock are deemed received on the deferred stock units and reinvested in deferred stock units. Pursuant to the terms of the plan, deferred stock units became payable in cash in a lump sum upon the Reporting Person's termination of service as a director on May 20, 2010.

Signatures

/s/ Hyman J. Lee Jr., attorney-in-fact

05/24/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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