PROASSURANCE CORP

Form 4

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(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Lisenby Jeffrey Patton		ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			PROASSURANCE CORP [[PRA]]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O PROAS	SURANCE		09/18/2012	_X_ Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify		
CORPORAT	TON, 100			below) below) Senior Vice-President / Corporate Secretary		
BROOKWO	OD PLACE			Senior vice-rresident/Corporate Secretary		

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

(Street)

(State)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	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)
Common Stock	09/18/2012		F	935 (1)	A	\$ 90.07	11,173	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2012		M	1,250 (2)	A	\$ 90.07	12,108	D	

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acq (A) Disp (D)	or bosed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisals Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	d <u>(3)</u>						(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,450
Restricte Stock Units	d (<u>4)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	39
Restricte Stock Units	d <u>(5)</u>						<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,040
Restricte Stock Units	d (6)						<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,040
Employe Stock Option (Right to Buy)	s 54.28	09/18/2012		M		1,250	09/01/2008(7)	09/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
o man a man	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lisenby Jeffrey Patton C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811			Senior Vice-President	Corporate Secretary
Signatures				
Frank B. O'Neil, by POA for the reporting p Lisenby	y P.	09/20/2012		
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date	

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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).
- (1) The 935 shares disposed of reflect 754 shares withheld by the issuer to fund the cashless exercise of 1,250 options after the market close on 9/18/12 and 181 shares withheld by the issuer to cover the associated tax liability.
- (2) Cashless exercise of 1,250 options after the close of the market on September 18, 2012
 - Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of ProAssurance Corporation common stock, issuable from the ProAssurance 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest if the reporting person remains continuously employed by ProAssurance or one of its subsidiaries until December 31, 2014 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon
- (3) termination of employment as the result of (i) death; (ii) disability; or (iii) Good Reason, as defined in the reporting person's employment agreement with ProAssurance Corporation, or by action of the Compensation Committee of the ProAssurance Corporation Board of Directors. The RSUs will be settled in shares of ProAssurance Common Stock and in cash, with the cash portion being approximately equal to the federal, state, and local taxes.
 - RSU's are equal in value to one share of Common Stock, are issued under the 2008 Equity Plan and acquired under terms of the ProAssurance Corporation 2011 Employee Stock Ownership Plan. The RSUs will vest upon the sooner of three years of continuous employment, termination of employment by reason of death or disability or for "good reason," or a change of control of the Company. If a participant terminates employment more than twelve months but less than three years from the date of grant, the RSUs will partially vest
- based on the number of days that the participant was employed in the vesting period. Any RSUs that are unvested on termination of employment will be forfeited. In addition, if a participant withdraws shares purchased for his or her account, matching unvested RSUs will be forfeited. Upon vesting, we will pay the RSUs in shares of our Common Stock from those shares reserved for issuance under the 2008 Equity Plan. Value to be established upon vesting.
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- (7) These options are fully vested and exercised in their entirety with this transaction.

Remarks:

\$90.07 is the closing price of a share of ProAssurance Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on 9/18/12.

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