CNO Financial Group, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

(Last)

Helding Erik M

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/11/2016

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CNO Financial Group, Inc. [CNO]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

EVP and CFO

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP.

INC., 11825 N.

PENNSYLVANIA STREET

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

CARMEL. INÂ 46032

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Common Stock $12,560^{(1)}$

D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	02/28/2015	02/28/2019	Common Stock	5,750	\$ 7.51	D	Â
Stock Options	(2)	02/27/2020	Common Stock	15,200	\$ 10.88	D	Â
Stock Options	(3)	03/20/2021	Common Stock	12,710	\$ 19.15	D	Â
Stock Options	(4)	02/25/2025	Common Stock	14,530	\$ 16.42	D	Â
Stock Options	(5)	02/23/2026	Common Stock	17,300	\$ 17.38	D	Â

Reporting Owners

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EVP and CFO Â	

Signatures

Erik M. Helding 04/20/2016

**Signature of Person Date

**Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Includes 2,900 shares of restricted stock that vest in two equal annual installments commencing September 2, 2016 and 5,300 shares of restricted stock that vest in three equal annual installments commencing March 25, 2017.
- (2) One-half of these options became exercisable on February 27, 2015 and the other one-half became exercisable on February 27, 2016.
- (3) One-half of these options became exercisable on March 20, 2016 and the other one-half becomes exercisable on March 20, 2017.
- (4) One-half of these options becomes exercisable on February 25, 2017 and the other one-half becomes exercisable on February 25, 2018.
- (5) One-half of these options becomes exercisable on February 23, 2018 and the other one-half becomes exercisable on February 23, 2019.

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