HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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10% Owner

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

CONKLIN BRET A

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/ [HMN]

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

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

1 HORACE MANN PLAZA

09/29/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

SVP & Controller

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date

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of Sl

Phantom

Common 08/08/1988(2) 08/08/1988(2) Stock \$ 0 (1) 09/29/2006 Α 25.879 25. Stock

Units

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CONKLIN BRET A 1 HORACE MANN PLAZA SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715

SVP & Controller

Signatures

Rhonda R. Armstead, Attorney in Fact for Bret A. 10/03/2006 Conklin

> **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).
- (1) One-for-one.

The phantom stock units are estimated based on the market price of Horace Mann Educators Corporation Common Stock and are

(2) acquired under the Horace Mann Educators Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for employees which are to be settled 100% in cash on the earlier of the reporting person's retirement date, termination date or a date certain.

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