

CNO Financial Group, Inc.
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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 *
 Holding Erik M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., 11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA STREET

(Street)

CARMEL, IN 46032

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CNO Financial Group, Inc. [CNO]

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

02/23/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 EVP and CFO

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

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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/23/2017		A	1,447	A 11 25,700	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/23/2017		A	16,670	(3) (3)	Common Stock	16,670
Stock Options	\$ 21.06	02/23/2017		A	35,400	(4) 02/23/2027	Common Stock	35,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Helding Erik M C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA STREET CARMEL, IN 46032			EVP and CFO	

Signatures

Karl W. Kindig, 02/27/2017
 Attorney-in-Fact

**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) These shares were acquired upon vesting of performance share units for the 2014-2016 performance period, based on the Issuer's average pre-tax operating income over that period.
- (2) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 25, 2018.
- (4) One-half of these options becomes exercisable on February 23, 2019 and the other one-half becomes exercisable on February 23, 2020.

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