Grossack Marshall J Form 4 February 28, 2012

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Grossack Marshall J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

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

Holdings, AG [AWH]

Allied World Assurance Co

Director 10% Owner

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Chief Actuary

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE

(State)

CO. HOLDINGS,

(City)

AG, LINDENSTRASSE 8 (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

02/26/2012

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) mr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)				
Common Shares	02/26/2012		M	624	A	\$ 0 (1)	60,515	D				
Common Shares	02/26/2012		D	312 (2)	D	\$ 67.7636	60,203	D				
Common Shares	02/26/2012		F	138 (3)	D	\$ 68.16	60,065	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)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/26/2012		M	624 (1)	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	624 (1)	<u>(1</u>

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner

Grossack Marshall J ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG LINDENSTRASSE 8 BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6340

EVP, Chief Actuary

Other

Officer

## **Signatures**

/s/ Wesley D. Dupont, by Power of 02/28/2012 Attorney

> \*\*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).
- On February 26, 2009, the reporting person was granted 2,500 Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. The Restricted Stock Units convert into (i) 1,250 of the Company's Common Shares and (ii) cash equal to the market value of 1,250 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units. The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal annual installments with the first installment vesting on February 26, 2010.
- The number represents the cash portion of the above award and the price per share was determined using the daily volume-weighted average sales price of the Company's Common Shares for the five consecutive trading days prior to February 26, 2012.
- Exclusively represents shares withheld by the Company with respect to the payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.

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