

AMERUS GROUP CO/IA
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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 *
BROOKS ROGER K

(Last) (First) (Middle)
699 WALNUT STREET
(Street)

DES MOINES, IA 50309

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERUS GROUP CO/IA [AMH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/13/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----------|---|--------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/13/2006 | 01/13/2006 | M | | 23,669.46 | A | Ⓛ | 50,134.15 | I | Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust |
| Common Stock | 01/13/2006 | 01/13/2006 | F | | 8,089.69 | D | \$ 56.6 | 42,044.46 | I | Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust |
| Common Stock | 01/13/2006 | 01/13/2006 | D | | 0.77 | D | \$ 56.6 | 42,043.69 | I | Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust |

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|--------------|------------|------------|---|-------|---|----------|-----------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 02/13/2006 | 02/13/2006 | M | 7,334 | A | \$ 0 | 49,377.69 | I | Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2006 | 02/13/2006 | F | 3,114 | D | \$ 60.28 | 46,263.69 | I | Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 7,089.287 | I | By 401(k) Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 9,000 | I | By Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 15,000 | I | RKB Partnership, L.P. ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 46,200 | 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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---|----------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount |
| Performance Rights ⁽³⁾ | \$ 25.68 | 01/13/2006 | 01/13/2006 | M | 3,894.08 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 3,894.08 |
| Performance Rights ⁽³⁾ | \$ 37.16 | 01/13/2006 | 01/13/2006 | M | 6,862.22 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 6,862.22 |
| Performance Rights ⁽³⁾ | \$ 39.08 | 01/13/2006 | 01/13/2006 | M | 4,350.05 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 4,350.05 |

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