CORCORAN JOHN FRANCIS

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **CORCORAN JOHN FRANCIS**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CNA SURETY CORP [SUR]

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/04/2011

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below) SVP & CFO

6417 APACHE DRIVE

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

Applicable Line)

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

Person

INDIAN HEAD PARK, IL 60525

(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

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

(1)

Common Stock

02/04/2011

Code V Amount A 2,156

\$0 2,156

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities			Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 5)	Bene	
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
								or			
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CORCORAN JOHN FRANCIS 6417 APACHE DRIVE INDIAN HEAD PARK, IL 60525

SVP & CFO

Signatures

Rosemary Quinn

- POA 02/09/2011 **Signature of Reporting 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).

Common stock represents the underlying security of restricted stock units granted to the reporting person, each restricted stock unit representing a contingent right to receive one share of CNA Surety Corporation common stock. The restricted stock units were awarded on February 4, 2011 based on performance throughout the 2010 performance year. The restricted stock units shall become exercisable in four equal installments on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date (February 4, 2011). Provided, however, no restricted stock unit shall vest on such vesting date unless the reporting person is affiliated with CNA Surety Corporation on such vesting date except as otherwise specified in award terms and/or an employment agreement.

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