

SVOBODA FRANK M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SVOBODA FRANK M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

UNITED AMERICAN  
INSURANCE COMPANY, 3700  
SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE

(Street)

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/28/2012

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)  
VP & Director of Taxes

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
Common Stock	08/28/2012		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 12,750 A \$ 42.4667	16,299.54	D	
Common Stock	08/28/2012		S	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 11,200 D \$ 51.0412 <u>(1) (2)</u>	5,099.54	D	
Common Stock					300	I	Custodian for Minor Children
Common Stock					793 <u>(3)</u>	I	Thrift Plan Trust

Torchmark Capital Trust III Preferred Securities	1,700	D	
Torchmark Capital Trust III Preferred Securities	400	I	Spouse's IRA

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.4667	08/28/2012		M	12,750	12/12/2009	12/12/2013	Common Stock	12,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SVOBODA FRANK M UNITED AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE MCKINNEY, TX 75070			VP & Director of Taxes	

## Signatures

Frank M. Svoboda, By:/s/Carol A. McCoy,  
Attorney-in-fact

08/30/2012

\_\_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) Sales at prices ranging from \$50.97 per share to \$51.06 per share.
- (2) Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer.
- (3) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance using \$50.98 per share..

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