ADAMO VICTOR T Form 4

## FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ADAMO VICTOR T Issuer Symbol PROASSURANCE CORP [PRA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O PROASSURANCE 05/06/2011 below) CORPORATION, 100 President **BROOKWOOD PLACE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or				Securities C Beneficially F Owned (I Following In	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/06/2011		Code V F	Amount 9,461 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 66.66	47,998	D	
Common Stock	05/06/2011		M	12,500 (2)	A	\$ 64.08	57,459	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Secur Secur Acqu or Di (D)	rities aired (A) sposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Restricted Share Units	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	2,50
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54.28						09/01/2008(3)	09/01/2018	Common Stock	15,0
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 51.48						09/10/2007(5)	09/10/2017	Common Stock	15,0
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 51.38						09/11/2006 <u>(6)</u>	09/11/2016	Common Stock	15,0
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.15	05/06/2011		M		12,500 (2)	09/10/2005 <u>(7)</u>	09/10/2015	Common Stock	12,5

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
, <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ADAMO VICTOR T						
C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION	X		President			
100 BROOKWOOD PLACE	Λ		Fresident			
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811						

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Date

## **Signatures**

Frank B. O'Neil, POA for the Reporting
Person

05/10/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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) The 9,461 shares disposed of reflect 7,717 shares withheld by the issuer to fund the cashless exercise of 12,500 options on 05/06/2011, and 1,744 shares withheld by the issuer to cover the associated tax liability.
- (2) Cashless exercise of options on 05/06/2011
- (3) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 1, 2008
  - Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of ProAssurance Corporation common stock, issueable from the ProAssurance 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest if the reporting person remains continuously employed by ProAssurance or one of its subsidiaries until February 26, 2012 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon
- (4) termination of employment as the result of (i) death; (ii) disability; or (iii) Good Reason, as defined in the reporting person's employment agreement with ProAssurance Corporation, or by action of the Compensation Committee of the ProAssurance Corporation Board of Directors. The RSUs will be settled in shares of ProAssurance Common Stock and in cash, with the cash portion being approximately equal to the federal, state, and local taxes.
- (5) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2007
- (6) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 11, 2006
- (7) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2005

#### **Remarks:**

66.66 is the closing price per share on the New York Stock Exchange on Friday, May 6, 2011.

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