

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) 711 High Street _____ (Street) Des Moines IA 50392 _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [PFG]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/11/2003	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Series D Preferred Convertible Stock	(1)	09/11/2003		P		41,826 ⁽²⁾		(3)	(4)	Common Stock	5,019,120 ⁽²⁾	\$5.32	148,815	I	By Subsidiary

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 711 High Street

 (Street)
 Des Moines IA 50392

 (City) (State) (Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 711 High Street

 (Street)
 Des Moines IA 50392

 (City) (State) (Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE CO

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 711 HIGH STREET

 (Street)
 DES MOINES IA 50392

 (City) (State) (Zip)

Explanation of Responses:

1. Security converts to Common Stock on a 1-to-120 basis.
2. The number of underlying shares of Common Stock is subject to adjustment for anti-dilution and other matters.

3. Immediately.

4. None.

Remarks:

Joyce N. Hoffman, Senior Vice

President and Corporate

Secretary.

09/15/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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