#### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and ZIMPLE	PFC	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [ PFG ]								Relationship leck all appli Directo X Officer below)	cable) or (give title	g Pers	10% Ov Other (s below)	vner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 711 HIGH STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/26/2015									Chairma	ın & (	CEO	
(Street) DES MOINES IA 50392					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Lin	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(Sta	te) (Z	Zip)												-			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			Code (Inst	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 Code (Instr. 5)				5. Amou Securitie Beneficie Owned F Reported	s Formally (D) (ollowing (I) (I		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code V	Amo	ount	t (A) or Pi		Transact	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(1113411 4)
	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)	vative Conversion Date Executivity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if an			ed n Date, ay/Year)	4. Transactior Code (Instr. 8)		on of		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/\	ate	nd	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e s ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Performance Units	(1)	06/26/2015			A		60		(2)	(2)		Common Stock	60	(2)	8,351	]	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	06/26/2015			A		93.1		(3)	(3)		Common Stock	93.1	\$52.44	12,934	.4	D	

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. The reported performance units were acquired pursuant to the Principal Financial Group Long-Term Performance Plan. Units under the Plan will be settled in cash or stock within a five-year period from the date of vesting.
- 3. Acquired pursuant to the Principal Financial Group, Inc. Select Savings Excess Plan and may be transferred at any time into another investment alternative under that plan. Interests under the plan will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

### Remarks:

Patrick A. Kirchner, by Power of Attorney

06/30/2015

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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