Essent Group Ltd. Form 4 March 11, 2016

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** PBRA (CAYMAN) Co	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
	Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT]	(Check all applicable)		

(Month/Day/Year) _X__ 10% Owner Director Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify C/O PINE BROOK ROAD 03/10/2016 below) below) See Remarks

PARTNERS LLC, 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

NEW YORK, NY 10165

(City)	(State)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie orDisposed o (Instr. 3, 4	f (D)	uired (A) or Price	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 Shares, par value \$0.015	03/10/2016		P	143,097	A	\$ 19.5014 (3)	10,443,635	I	See Footnotes

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

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

 Title of 	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Unde	rlying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivativ	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	1
	Derivative				Securities	3		(Instr	. 3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						1
	·				(A) or						1
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
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				Code \	V (A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PBRA (CAYMAN) Co C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
Pine Brook Road Advisors, LP C/O PINE BROOK ROAD, 60 EAST 42ND STREET 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
PBRA, LLC C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS, LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
NEWMAN HOWARD H C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			
Essent Intermediate, L.P. C/O PINE BROOK ROAD PARTNERS LLC 60 EAST 42ND STREET, 50TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10165		X		See Remarks			

Signatures

PBRA (CAYMAN) COMPANY, By: /s/ Rob Jackowitz, Director

03/11/2016

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**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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PINE BROOK ROAD ADVISORS, LP, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Chief Compliance Officer

03/11/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

PBRA, LLC, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Executive Vice President

03/11/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

HOWARD H. NEWMAN, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Attorney-in-Fact

03/11/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

ESSENT INTERMEDIATE, L.P., By: PBRA (CAYMAN) COMPANY, its general partner, By: /s/ Rob Jackowitz, Director

03/11/2016

**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).
- Represents Common Shares ("Shares") held directly by Essent Intermediate, L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership,
 (1) ("Essent Intermediate"). PBRA (Cayman) Company, a Cayman Islands exempted company, ("PBRA Cayman") is the general partner of Essent Intermediate.
 - Pine Brook Road Advisors, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, ("Advisors") serves as investment manager to Essent Intermediate. PBRA, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, serves as general partner of Advisors. Howard H. Newman, a U.S. citizen, ("Mr.
- (2) Newman") is the sole member of PBRA, LLC. In such capacities, each of PBRA Cayman, Advisors, PBRA, LLC and Mr. Newman may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own Shares held by Essent Intermediate and disclaims beneficial ownership of all such Shares except to the extent of any indirect pecuniary interest therein.
- This price reflects the weighted average purchase price for open-market purchases of Shares made by the Reporting Persons on March 10, 2016, within a \$1.00 range. The actual prices for these transactions range from \$19.435 to \$19.60, inclusive. The Reporting Persons further undertake to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of Shares purchased at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (3) to this Form 4.

Remarks:

Exhibit 99.1 - Power of Attorney (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to the Schedule 13D/A filed by PBRA (Cayman) Con

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