FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE  GROUP LTD						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     Symetra Financial CORP [ SYA ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)      Director X 10% Owner      Officer (give title below)      Other (specific below)					vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 80 SOUTH MAIN ST.					02	02/01/2016														
(Street) HANOVER NH 03755 (City) (State) (Zip)			5	4. 1										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yes					on	2A. Deemed Execution Date,		e, ear)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  Amount (A) or Price (D)			(A) or 3, 4 and	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 02/01/2016					16				D <sup>(1)</sup>		20	),562,379	D	\$32	0		I		by subsi	idiaries <sup>(2)</sup>
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 Exe- urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if an					saction (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		rative rities ired r osed ) r. 3, 4	Exp (Mo	oiration onth/Da	n Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)  Amount or Number of Title Shares		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)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares disposed of pursuant to merger agreement between issuer and Sumitomo Life Insurance Company in exchange for \$32.00 per share on the effective date of the merger.
- 2. Shares owned by indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd.

## Remarks:

Jason R. Lichtenstein, by Power of Attorney

02/02/2016

\*\* 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Jason R. Lichtenstein, Vice President & Associate General Counsel of White Mountains Capital, Inc., signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to: (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally

required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion. The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing

whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not rendering legal advice of any form, other than satisfying regulatory filing requirements, with respect to any transactions to be reported on Forms 3, 4 and 5 is not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of, and transactions in, publicly-traded securities, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 18th day of January 2010.

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.

By: /S/ Jennifer L. Pitts Name: Jennifer L. Pitts Its: Corporate Secretary