

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC</u>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/21/2010</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Symetra Financial CORP</u> [<u>SYA</u>]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. 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
(Last) (First) (Middle) <u>3555 FARNAM STREET</u>			
(Street) <u>OMAHA</u> <u>NE</u> <u>68131</u>			
(City) (State) (Zip)			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>17,400,000</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>See footnote 1⁽¹⁾</u>

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<u>Warrant (right to buy)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>08/02/2014</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>9,487,872</u>	<u>11.49</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>See footnote 1.⁽¹⁾</u>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BUFFETT WARREN E</u>
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>GENERAL RE CORP</u>
(Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1440 KIEWIT PLAZA</u>
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GENERAL REINSURANCE CORP

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Explanation of Responses:

1. These securities are owned directly by General Reinsurance Corporation ("GRC"), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of General Re Corporation ("Gen Re"), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. As Berkshire and Gen Re are in the chain of ownership of GRC, each of Berkshire and Gen Re may be deemed presently to both beneficially own and have a pecuniary interest in all shares of Symetra Financial Corporation common stock presently owned by GRC. Warren E. Buffett, as the controlling stockholder of Berkshire, may be deemed presently to beneficially own, but only to the extent he has a pecuniary interest in, the shares of Symetra Financial Corporation common stock presently owned by GRC. Mr. Buffett disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
2. The warrant is currently exercisable.

Berkshire Hathaway Inc., by
Marc D. Hamburg

01/21/2010

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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