INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KETTIG DAVID T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO

(Check all applicable)

[IHC]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

COO & SVP

(Month/Day/Year)

05/16/2014

below) below)

96 CUMMINGS POINT RD

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

STAMFORD, CT 06902

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securit Security or Exercise any Code Securities Acquired (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|---|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Sh |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.09 (1) | 05/16/2014 | 05/16/2014 | D(2) | | 52,800 (1) | (2) | 01/04/2015 | Common Stock | 52,8 <u>(1</u> |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.09 (1) | 05/16/2014 | 05/16/2014 | A(2) | 52,800 (1) | | (2) | 01/04/2017 | Common Stock | 52,8 (1 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |

KETTIG DAVID T 96 CUMMINGS POINT RD STAMFORD, CT 06902

COO & SVP

Signatures

David T. Kettig 05/19/2014

**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).
- (1) Adjusted for the 10% stock dividend paid on February 17, 2012.
- The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option (2) and the grant of a replacement option. The option originally expired on January 4, 2015. The new option expires on January 4, 2017. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on January 5, 2011.

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