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FORM 4

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1(b).

(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			
(Last) C/O PINE BR PARTNERS I STREET, 50T	LC, 60 EA		Essent Group Ltd. [ESNT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2016	(Check all applicable) DirectorX 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) See Remarks			

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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NEW YORK, NY 10165

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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 or Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	f (D)	uired (A) or	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	02/22/2016		P	119,397	A	\$ 19.3951 (3)	9,651,264 (1)	I	See Footnotes
Common Shares, par value \$0.015	02/23/2016		P	95,000	A	\$ 19.2857 (4)	9,746,264 (1)	I	See Footnotes

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	mount umber ares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	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 PARTNERS LLC 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		

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Signatures

PBRA (CAYMAN) COMPANY, By: /s/ Rob Jackowitz, Director					
**Signature of Reporting Person					
PINE BROOK ROAD ADVISORS, LP, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Chief Compliance Officer					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
PBRA, LLC, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Executive Vice President					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
HOWARD H. NEWMAN, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Attorney-in-Fact	02/24/2016				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
ESSENT INTERMEDIATE, L.P., By: PBRA (CAYMAN) COMPANY, its general partner, By: /s/ Robert Jackowitz, Director					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				

**Signature of Reporting Person

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.
- Newman") is the sole member of PBRA, LLC. In such capacities, each of PBRA Cayman, Advisors, PBRA, LLC and Mr. Newman **(2)** 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 February 22, 2016, within a \$1.00 range. The actual prices for these transactions range from \$19.00 to \$19.50, inclusive. The Reporting
- **(3)** 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 footnotes (3) and (4) to this
- This price reflects the weighted average purchase price for open-market purchases of Shares made by the Reporting Persons on **(4)** February 23, 2016, within a \$1.00 range. The actual prices for these transactions range from \$19.18 to \$19.50, inclusive.

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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