

SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 COLEMAN JAMES W JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC [SIGI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 40 WANTAGE AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/15/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President - Div

BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07890

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/15/2005		M		9,328 A \$ 17.625	63,117.095	D
Common Stock	02/15/2005		M		2,800 A \$ 18.4375	65,917.095	D
Common Stock	02/15/2005		M		7,500 A \$ 18.75	73,417.095	D
Common Stock	02/15/2005		M		916 A \$ 15.188	74,333.095	D
Common Stock	02/15/2005		M		2,531 A \$ 22.375	76,864.095	D

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Common Stock	02/15/2005	M	181	A	\$ 20.75	77,045.095	D
Common Stock	02/15/2005	M	697	A	\$ 23.235	77,742.095	D
Common Stock	02/15/2005	F	7,801	D	\$ 47.905	69,941.095	D

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. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 15.188	02/15/2005		M	916	02/03/2000 02/03/2010	Common Stock	916
Stock Option	\$ 17.625	02/15/2005		M	9,328	10/29/1996 10/29/2006	Common Stock	9,328
Stock Option	\$ 18.4375	02/15/2005		M	2,800	02/01/1998 01/24/2007	Common Stock	2,800
Stock Option	\$ 18.75	02/15/2005		M	7,500	11/03/1998 11/03/2008	Common Stock	7,500
Stock Option	\$ 20.75	02/15/2005		M	181	02/05/2002 02/05/2012	Common Stock	181
Stock Option	\$ 22.375	02/15/2005		M	2,531	02/06/2001 02/06/2011	Common Stock	2,531
Stock Option	\$ 23.235	02/15/2005		M	697	02/04/2003 02/04/2013	Common Stock	697

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COLEMAN JAMES W JR 40 WANTAGE AVENUE BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07890			Executive Vice President - Div	

## Signatures

James W  
Coleman, Jr. 02/17/2005

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).

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