

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC
 Form 4/A
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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 * Valdes Luis E.
 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 711 HIGH STREET
 (Street)
 DES MOINES, IA 50392
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [PFG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/05/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
 12/06/2016

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Pres - Int'l Asset Mgmt&Accum

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.26	12/05/2016			M ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾			18,390	02/28/2014	02/28/2021	Common Stock	18,390
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.7	12/05/2016			M ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾			53,685	02/25/2016	02/25/2023	Common Stock	53,685

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Valdes Luis E.
711 HIGH STREET
DES MOINES, IA 50392

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pres - Int'l Asset Mgmt&Accum

Signatures

Patrick A. Kirchner, by Power of Attorney

12/13/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 4, 2016.

(2) This report supplements a prior Form 4 filed December 6, 2016 which inadvertently omitted corresponding Table II information.

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