

CRACCHIOLO JAMES M  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
CRACCHIOLO JAMES M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC  
[AMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/10/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman and CEO

GENERAL COUNSEL'S  
OFFICE, 1098 AMERIPRISE  
FINANCIAL CENTER

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474

(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 Ownership (Instr. 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)**

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| 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 Acquired (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) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code V                         | (A) (D)                                                                                 | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount of Number of Shares                              |
| Phantom Stock                              | (1)                                                    | 02/10/2012                           |                                                    | A                              | 7,404.5027                                                                              | (2) (2)                                                  | Common Stock 7,404.50                                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                              | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|                                                                                                             | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| CRACCHIOLO JAMES M<br>GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE<br>1098 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL CENTER<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474 | X             |           | Chairman and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas R. Moore for James M. Cracchiolo  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

02/14/2012  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 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) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. common stock.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares of Ameriprise common stock following termination of employment or during a specified future year in accordance with The Ameriprise Financial Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (3) Includes 1,513.3563 phantom shares credited to the reporting person's account as a result of the deemed reinvestment of dividends allocated since phantom shares were last reported.

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