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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Orr John A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ascent Capital Group, Inc.

[ASCMA]

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2012

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

ASCENT CAPITAL GROUP. INC., 5251 DTC PARKWAY, **SUITE 1000**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Senior Vice President

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(City)

Series A

Common

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

01/03/2012

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(A) or Code V Amount (D)

Price \$ D

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51.98 28,038 (1) (1)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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			Code V (A) (D)					S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Orr John A ASCENT CAPITAL GROUP, INC. 5251 DTC PARKWAY, SUITE 1000 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ William E. Niles, attorney-in-fact

01/05/2012

**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).
- The shares disposed of in this transaction were withheld by the Issuer in connection with the payment of withholding taxes on restricted shares that vested on January 3, 2012. The price is based on an average of the high and low trading prices on January 3, 2012.

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