Markowitz Jerome S Form 4 January 03, 2011

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

12/29/2010

(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Markowitz Jerome S | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COWEN GROUP, INC. [COWN] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | _X_ Director | 10% | Owner | | | |
| C/O COWEN GROUP, INC., 599 LEXINGTON AVENUE | | | 12/29/2010 | | | | | Officer (give below) | e titleOther below) | er (specify | | |
| | (Street) | | 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) | Tabl | le I - Non-D | erivative Se | curitio | es Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Ye | | on Date, if | Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | | 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) | | | |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | | | | 43,818 | D | | | |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | | | | 214,695 | I | See Footnote (1) | | |
| Class A | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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 Exer | cisable and | 7. Title | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | onNumber Expiration D | | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | /Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Markowitz Jerome S C/O COWEN GROUP, INC. 599 LEXINGTON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

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Signatures

/s/ Jerome S.
Markowitz
01/03/2011

**Signature of Reporting Date
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).
- (1) Represents shares in which the Reporting Person may be deemed to have a pecuniary interest, held by RCG Holdings LLC and allocated to the Reporting Person in connection with his ownership interest in RCG Holdings LLC.
- Represents shares distributed to the Reporting Person by RCG Holdings LLC, formerly reported as shares in which the Reporting Person (2) may be deemed to have a pecuniary (and indirect beneficial ownership) interest held by RCG Holdings LLC, in connection with the Reporting Person's withdrawal of one-third of his capital from RCG Holdings LLC as of December 31, 2010.

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