

INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction
1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
THUNG ROY T K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

96 CUMMINGS POINT RD.

(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06902

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
SymbolINDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO
[IHC]3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

02/09/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

CEO & President

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

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(9-02)**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 Acquired (A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.09 ⁽¹⁾	02/09/2016	02/09/2016	D ⁽²⁾		176,000 ⁽¹⁾	⁽²⁾	01/04/2017	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.09 ⁽¹⁾	02/09/2016	02/09/2016	A ⁽²⁾		176,000 ⁽¹⁾	⁽²⁾	01/04/2019	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right (Common Stock)	\$ 7.11 ⁽¹⁾	02/09/2016	02/09/2016	D ⁽³⁾		16,500 ⁽¹⁾	⁽³⁾	03/16/2016	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right (Common Stock)	\$ 7.11 ⁽¹⁾	02/09/2016	02/09/2016	A ⁽³⁾		16,500 ⁽¹⁾	⁽³⁾	03/16/2018	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THUNG ROY T K 96 CUMMINGS POINT RD. STAMFORD, CT 06902	X		CEO & President	

Signatures

Roy T. K.
Thung

02/11/2016

^{**}Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Adjusted for the 10% stock dividend paid on February 17, 2012.

(2) The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on January 5, 2010 and vested in three equal annual installments beginning on January 5, 2011. The original option was previously amended on May 16, 2014 to extend the expiration date from January 4, 2015 to January 4, 2017.

(3) The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding stock appreciation right (SAR), resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" SAR and the grant of the replacement SAR. The SAR was originally granted on March 16, 2011 and fully vested when the Company completed repurchase transactions of its common stock aggregating \$1.5 million in equivalent value.

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