#### SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC

Form 4

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See Instruction 30(n) of the Investment Comp

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			SELECTIVE INSURANCE GROUP INC [SIGI]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify		
40 WANTAGE AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2005	below)  Sr. Exec. Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07890			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/08/2005		Code V M	Amount 1,172	(D)	Price \$ 17.625	76,977.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005		F	434	D	\$ 47.585	76,543.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005		M	3,200	A	\$ 18.4375	79,743.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005		M	3,560	A	\$ 25.375	83,303.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005		S	1,585	D	\$ 47.3	81,718.781 (1)	D	

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Common Stock	09/08/2005	S	500	D	\$ 47.31	81,218.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005	S	200	D	\$ 47.32	81,018.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 47.4	79,718.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005	S	600	D	\$ 47.42	79,118.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005	S	2,575	D	\$ 47.43	76,543.781 (1)	D	
Common Stock						30,433.939	I	By Wife

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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onof Derivative		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	ntion Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 17.625	09/08/2005		M		1,172	10/29/1996	10/29/2006	Common Stock	1,172	
Stock Option	\$ 18.4375	09/08/2005		M		3,200	02/01/1998	01/24/2007	Common Stock	3,200	
Stock Option	\$ 25.375	09/08/2005		M		3,560	12/16/1998(2)	12/02/2007	Common Stock	3,560	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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OCHILTREE JAMIE III 40 WANTAGE AVENUE BRANCHVILLE, NJ 07890

Sr. Exec. Vice President

### **Signatures**

Jamie Ochiltree,

09/12/2005

\*\*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) Includes the acquisition of 469.174 shares under Selective's Employee Stock Purchase Savings Plan. A transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2) 25 % of grant became exercisable on 12/2/1998 and 75 % became exercisable on 12/16/1998.

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