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HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP INC/DE Form 4 February 20, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading AYER RAMANI Issuer Symbol HARTFORD FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) SERVICES GROUP INC/DE [HIG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_ Director 10% Owner X\_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL 02/17/2008 Chairman and CEO SERVICES GROUP -, ONE HARTFORD PLAZA (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HARTFORD, CT 06155 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported  $(\mathbf{I})$ (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D) Restricted 46,927.906 D Stock Units Restricted 23.533 D Stock By Common Limited 16,900 I (1) Stock Liability Company I (2) By Trust Common 126,300

Stock

Common 02/17/2008 Stock

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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)	5. orNumber of Derivati Securitic Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5	ive es ed ed	6. Date Exerce Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities	8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 34						<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2010	Common Stock	268,294	
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Stock Option	\$ 62.07						(6)	02/23/2011	Common Stock	222,046	
Stock Option	\$ 65.85						<u>(7)</u>	02/23/2012	Common Stock	201,556	
Stock Option	\$ 37.37						(8)	02/22/2013	Common Stock	171,465	
Stock Option	\$ 65.99						<u>(9)</u>	02/20/2014	Common Stock	96,723	
Stock Option	\$ 71.27						(10)	02/19/2015	Common Stock	79,454	
Stock Option	\$ 83						(11)	02/15/2016	Common Stock	71,750	
Stock Option	\$ 93.69						(12)	02/27/2017	Common Stock	61,313	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
AYER RAMANI THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP - ONE HARTFORD PLAZA HARTFORD, CT 06155	Х		Chairman and CEO			
Signatures						

/s/ Donald C. Hunt, POA for Ramani Ayer by Power of Attorney of Ramani Ayer dated July 26, 2007.

<u>\*\*</u>Signature of Reporting Person

02/20/2008

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) Shares of common stock held by a Limited Liability Company of which Mr. Ayer and his spouse are the co-managing and sole members.
- (2) Shares held by a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust of which Mr. Ayer is Trustee.
- Transaction involving a disposition to the Company of equity securities in satisfaction of tax withholding obligations in connection with:
   (i) a distribution to the reporting person of restricted stock units pursuant to The Hartford's 2005 Incentive Stock Plan and (ii) the vesting of Restricted Stock.
- (4) The option became fully exercisable as of April 11, 2000, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (5) Option held by a Trust of which Mr. Ayer is Trustee.
- (6) The option became fully exercisable as of July 27, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- The option became fully exercisable on November 17, 2005, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for at least 10 consecutive trading days.
- (8) The option became fully exercisable as of June 18, 2003, following the achievement of the following criteria: the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange reached 125% of the grant price for 10 consecutive trading days.
- (9) The option became fully exercisable as of February 18, 2007, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (10) The option became fully exercisable on February 17, 2008, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange(11) equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 15, 2009, three years from the date of the grant. The closing price condition to vesting was met on May 18, 2007.

The option becomes fully exercisable upon the later of: (i) the date on which the closing stock price on the New York Stock Exchange equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 27, 2010, three years from the date of the

(12) equals or exceeds 125% of the exercise price for 10 consecutive trading days or (ii) February 27, 2010, three years from the dat grant.

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