

AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

(Rule 13d-102)

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(Amendment No. __)*

AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK

(Title of Class of Securities)

03076C106

(CUSIP Number)

September 30, 2005

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes.)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Warren E. Buffett

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

United States Citizen

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 30,322,137 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

30,322,137 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

30,322,137 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not Applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

12.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Delaware

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30,322,137 shares of Common Stock

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30,322,137 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

12.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

OBH, Inc.

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State of Delaware

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30,322,137 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

30,322,137 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

12.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

National Indemnity Company

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 24,051,175 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

24,051,175 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

24,051,175 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

9.7%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

National Fire & Marine Insurance Company

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 1,598,926 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

1,598,926 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,598,926 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.6%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Nebraska Furniture Mart, Inc.

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State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 279,942 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

279,942 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

279,942 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Borsheim's Jewelry Company, Inc.

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State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 55,988 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

55,988 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

55,988 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

Less than 0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

The Fechheimer Brothers Company

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Delaware

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 167,966 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

167,966 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

167,966 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Columbia Insurance Company

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 3,445,080 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

3,445,080 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,445,080 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

1.4%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Blue Chip Stamps

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of California

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 388,620 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

388,620 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

388,620 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.2%

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Wesco Holdings Midwest, Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Delaware

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388,620 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

388,620 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Wesco Financial Corporation

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Delaware

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388,620 shares of Common Stock

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388,620 shares of Common Stock

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Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Wesco-Financial Insurance Co.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWER**NUMBER OF**

NONE

SHARES**6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY****OWNED BY**

388,620 shares of Common Stock

EACH**7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING****PERSON**

NONE

WITH**8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

388,620 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

388,620 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Central States of Omaha Companies, Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Nebraska

5 SOLE VOTING POWERNUMBER OF NONESHARES **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY**OWNED BY 174,000 shares of Common StockEACH **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING**PERSON NONEWITH **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

174,000 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

174,000 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

Central States Indemnity Company of Omaha

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of Nebraska

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174,000 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

174,000 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON**I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON**

FlightSafety International, Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*(a) ☒ x(b) ☐ "**3 SEC USE ONLY****4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION**

State of New York

5 SOLE VOTING POWER**NUMBER OF** NONE**SHARES** **6 SHARED VOTING POWER****BENEFICIALLY****OWNED BY** 500 shares of Common Stock**EACH** **7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER****REPORTING****PERSON** NONE**WITH** **8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER**

500 shares of Common Stock

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

500 shares of Common Stock

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not applicable.

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

Les than 0.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

CO

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Item 1. (a) Name of Issuer

AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL, INC.

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices

707 2nd Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55474

Item 2 (a). Name of Person Filing:

Item 2 (b). Address of Principal Business Office:

Item 2 (c). Citizenship:

Warren E. Buffett

1440 Kiewit Plaza

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

United States Citizen

Berkshire Hathaway Inc.

1440 Kiewit Plaza

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Delaware corporation

OBH, Inc.

1440 Kiewit Plaza

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Delaware corporation

National Indemnity Company

3024 Harney Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

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Nebraska corporation

National Fire & Marine Insurance Company

3024 Harney Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Nebraska corporation

Nebraska Furniture Mart, Inc.

700 South 72nd Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68114

Nebraska corporation

The Fechheimer Brothers Company

4545 Malsbary Road

Cincinnati, Ohio 45252

Delaware corporation

Borsheim's Jewelry Company, Inc.

120 Regency Parkway

Omaha, Nebraska 68114

Nebraska corporation

Columbia Insurance Company

3024 Harney Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Nebraska corporation

Blue Chip Stamps

301 East Colorado Boulevard

Pasadena, California 91101

California corporation

Wesco Holdings Midwest, Inc.

1440 Kiewit Plaza

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Nebraska corporation

Wesco Financial Corporation

301 East Colorado Boulevard

Pasadena, California 91101

Delaware corporation

Wesco-Financial Insurance Company

3024 Harney Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68131

Nebraska corporation

Central States of Omaha Companies, Inc.

1212 North 96th Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68134

Nebraska corporation

Central States Indemnity Company of Omaha

1212 North 96th Street

Omaha, Nebraska 68134

Nebraska corporation

FlightSafety International Inc.

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La Guardia Airport

Marine Air Terminal

Flushing, New York 11371

New York corporation

(d) **Title of Class of Securities**

Common Stock

(e) **CUSIP Number**

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Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

Warren E. Buffett (an individual who may be deemed to control Berkshire Hathaway Inc.), Berkshire Hathaway Inc., OBH, Inc., Blue Chip Stamps, Wesco Financial Corporation, Wesco Holdings Midwest, Inc. and Central States of Omaha Companies, Inc. are each a Parent Holding Company or Control Person, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G) (Note: See Item 7).

National Indemnity Company, National Fire & Marine Insurance Company, Columbia Insurance Company, Wesco-Financial Insurance Company and Central States Indemnity Company of Omaha are each an Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act.

Item 4. Ownership

(a) Amount beneficially Owned

See the Cover Pages for each of the Reporting Persons.

(b) Percent of Class

See the Cover Pages for each of the Reporting Persons.

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

- (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote
- (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote
- (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of
- (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

See the Cover Pages for each of the Reporting Persons.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not Applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not Applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

See Exhibit A.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the

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effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated this 7th day of October, 2005

/s/ Warren E. Buffett

Warren E. Buffett

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.,

OBH, INC. and

BORSHEIM S JEWELRY COMPANY, INC.

By: /s/ Warren E. Buffett

Warren E. Buffett
Chairman of the Board of each of the above-named
corporations

NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY, NATIONAL
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY,
COLUMBIA INSURANCE COMPANY, NEBRASKA
FURNITURE MART, INC., THE FECHHEIMER
BROTHERS COMPANY, BLUE CHIP STAMPS,
WESCO FINANCIAL CORPORATION, WESCO
FINANCIAL INSURANCE COMPANY, CENTRAL
STATES OF OMAHA COMPANIES, INC., CENTRAL
STATES INDEMNITY COMPANY OF OMAHA and
FLIGHTSAFETY INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ Warren E. Buffett

Warren E. Buffett

Attorney-in-Fact