

Hix Christopher M  
Form 4  
February 21, 2012

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Hix Christopher M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1500 KEY TOWER, 127 PUBLIC  
SQUARE

(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

OM GROUP INC [OMG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

02/14/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

VP and Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)

\_\_X\_\_ 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)
Common Stock	02/14/2012	(1)	A	(A) or (D) 9,200 (2)	39,200	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2012	(1)	A	(A) or (D) 4,700 (3)	43,900	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	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	\$ 30.21	02/14/2012	<u>(1)</u>	A	13,400 <u>(4)</u>	02/14/2013 02/14/2022	Common Stock 13,400

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Hix Christopher M 1500 KEY TOWER 127 PUBLIC SQUARE CLEVELAND, OH 44114	VP and Chief Financial Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Christopher M. Hix, by Michele Connell, as attorney-in-fact 02/21/2012

\_\_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) This field is not applicable.

(2) Subject to vesting based upon the satisfaction of performance criteria of OM Group, Inc. for the three-year period ending December 31, 2014.

(3) Subject to vesting on February 14, 2015.

(4) These options vest in three equal installments on February 14, 2013, 2014, and 2015.

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