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	ddress of Reportin	ng Person <u>*</u>	2. Issue	Name and	Ticker or	Fradin	g	-	Reporting Person(s) to		
MICHENER JAMES M Symb				ymbol				Issuer			
			ASSURED GUARANTY LTD [AGO])	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		f Earliest Tr	ansaction			Director		Owner	
				Month/Day/Year)				_X_Officer (give titleOther (specify below)			
30 WOODBOURNE AVENUE02/24				2/24/2016				General Counsel and Secretary			
			4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	ly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction D	ate 2A. Deer	ned	3.	4. Securiti	les Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
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(Instr. 3)		Code (D) Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Form: Direct (D) or	m: Direct Beneficial or Ownership				
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						(A) or		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common	02/24/2016			٨	20 502	٨	(1)	215 707 0005	D		
Shares	02/24/2016			А	20,593	А	<u>(1)</u>	315,797.0005	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day)	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	
Performance Share Units	(2) (3)	02/24/2016		А	20,593	(2)(3)	(2)(3)	Common Shares	20,593	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MICHENER JAMES M 30 WOODBOURNE AVENUE HAMILTON, D0 HM08			General Counsel and Secretary				
Signatures							
/s/ By: Ling Chow, Attorney-in-fact	(02/26/2016					

**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).
- Restricted stock units awarded pursuant to the Assured Guaranty Ltd. 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). With limited (1) exceptions, the restricted stock units vest on 2/24/2019, assuming that the holder remains employed at such time. Upon vesting, one Common Share will be delivered for each vested restricted stock unit.

Performance share units awarded pursuant to the Plan. Each performance share unit represents a contingent right to receive one Common Share of the Company. With limited exceptions, the performance share units vest on 2/24/2019, if at all, at the end of the performance

period (7/1/2017 to 12/31/2018), assuming that the holder remains employed at such time, based on the Company's Common Share price (2)using the highest 40-day average stock price during the performance period as follows: 200% if the share price reaches \$36; 100% if the share price reaches \$32; and 50% if the share price reaches \$28 (with interpolation between those prices). If the share price does not reach \$28, none of the performance share units will vest.

To the extent unvested performance share units do not become vested units at the end of the applicable performance period as described (3) above, such unvested performance share units will expire at the end of such performance period. Upon vesting, one Common Share will be delivered for each vested performance share unit.

Total includes performance units from other tranches with different performance measures, performance periods and vesting dates, but (4) does not include 146,962 outstanding options of various tranches.

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