#### AMERUS GROUP CO/IA

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### FORM 4

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

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

AMERUS GROUP CO/IA [AMH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

**BROOKS ROGER K** 

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

(Middle)

699 WALNUT STREET (Month/ 05/04/2		Day/Year) 2006				X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
			nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DES MOIN						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Secur	ities Ac	equired, Disposed	l of, or Benefic	cially 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. Securition(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of	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	05/04/2006	05/04/2006	S	6,800	D	<u>(1)</u>	39,463.69	I	Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust	
Common Stock	05/05/2006	05/05/2006	S	8,200	D	<u>(2)</u>	31,263.69	I	Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust	
Common Stock	05/08/2006	05/08/2006	S	11,192	D	(3)	20,071.69	I	Roger K Brooks Revocable Trust	

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Common Stock	7,159.177	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock	9,000	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	5,000	I	RKB Partnership, L.P. (4)
Common Stock	200	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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BROOKS ROGER K 699 WALNUT STREET DES MOINES, IA 50309	X							

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jeananne M. Celander, attorney-in-fact for Mr. 05/08/2006 **Brooks** 

> \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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) 500 shares at \$59.66 100 shares at \$59.67 500 shares at \$59.88 300 shares at \$59.89 800 shares at \$59.90 900 shares at \$59.91 2000 shares at \$59.92 700 shares at \$59.93 1000 shares at \$59.94
- (2) 1200 shares at \$59.73 1700 shares at \$59.78 200 shares at \$59.79 5000 shares at \$59.80 100 shares at \$59.88
- (3) 1000 shares at \$60.75 5192 shares at \$60.78 5000 shares at \$60.80
- (4) The reportee is a General Partner of RKB Partnership, L.P. and disclaims beneficial ownership.

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