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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Johnson Dennis Roger | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol James River Group Holdings, Ltd. [JRVR] | | | | | | | Relationship leck all applic Directo | cable) | g Pers | ion(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s | ner |
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| | ` | GROUP HOLI | (Middle) DINGS, LTD |). ¹ | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2014 | | | | | | | Pres. 8 | elow) below) es. & CUO-Casual. Rein. Sgm | | | nt |
| (Street) HAMILT | | | HM 12 (Zip) | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | 6. I Lin | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (5.5) | | | le I - Non-I | Derivati | ve Se | curities | s Ac | auired. Di | sposed o | of, or Be | neficial | ly Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | | Month/Day | Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | Code (Ins 8) | on Dispose tr. 5) | rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar t (A) or (D) Price | | Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a | 5. Amount of Securities Eneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | : Direct Control of the control of t | . Nature of Indirect Seneficial Ownership Instr. 4) | |
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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | cise (Month/Day/Year) ve | 3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea | Code | saction e (Instr. | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | e V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Share Option (Right to Buy) | \$21 | 12/12/2014 | | А | | 51,011 | | (1) | 12/11/2021 | Common Shares | 51,011 | \$0 | 51,011 | 1 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The share option vests in three equal annual installments on December 12 of each of the years 2015 through 2017.

/s/ Michael E. Crow, as

12/19/2014 Attorney-in-Fact for Dennis

Roger Johnson

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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