

McDonald Patrick J  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol                         |  |
| Â McDonald Patrick J                      |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | COMMERCE GROUP INC /MA [CGI]   |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                           | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
|   |         |                                      |  |  |
| 290 LYNNE LANE                            |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| MAPLEVILLE,Â RIÂ 02839                    |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | (give title below) (specify below)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
|   |         |                                      | Senior Vice President  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common stock                    | 4,057   | D  | Â   |
| Common stock                    | 2,064   | I  | See <sup>(1)</sup>                                    |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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|---------------------|--------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------|--|
| Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares | Security | Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------|--|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                               | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| McDonald Patrick J<br>290 LYNNE LANE<br>MAPLEVILLE, RI 02839 | ^             | ^         | ^ Senior Vice President | ^     |

## Signatures

/s/ Patrick J.  
McDonald

05/01/2007

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

The reporting person indirectly beneficially owns 2,064 shares that are held by the Employee Stock Ownership Plan of The Commerce Group, Inc., which number of shares is calculated based on the units that have been credited to the reporting person as a participant in the ESOP and is subject to adjustment from time to time due, in part, to the unit value and the price per share of the Common Stock.

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