MCCULLOUGH JOHN W Form 5

February 12, 2003

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	FORM 5	
ANNUAL STATEM	MENT OF CHANGES IN B	ENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
Section 17(a) of the		rities Exchange Act of 1934, ing Company Act of 1935 or Company Act of 1940
_ Check box if no longer may continue. See Instr		16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations
_ Form 3 Holdings Reporte	ed	
_ Form 4 Transactions Rep	ported	
1. Name and Address of Rep	porting Person*	
McCullough	John	\overline{W} .
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
3760 River Run Drive		
	(Street)	
Birmingham,	AL	35243
(City)	(State)	(Zip)
2. Issuer Name and Ticker	or Trading Symbol	
Vesta Insurance Group, Ir	nc., VTA	
3. I.R.S. Identification N	Number of Reporting	Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Yea	ar	
December 31, 2002		
5. If Amendment, Date of C	Driginal (Month/Year)

6.					s) to Issuer			-	
	1_1	ck all app Director Officer (ele below)		10% Owner Other (speci	fy below)		
	Vice	President	, Associ	late General	Counsel & A	ssistant Secre	tary		
7.		vidual or ck applica		coup Filing				-	
				e Reporting re than One	Person Reporting Pe	rson		_	
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				2.	2A. Deemed	3. Transaction	4. Securities Acquired Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		(A) or
	e of Security tr. 3)		Date	Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	(Instr. 8)	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Commo	on St	ock							
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Commo	on St	ock 		7/31/02		I 	10,307	A 	\$3.27

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction $4\,(b)\,(v)$.

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1.	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Trans- action Date	ion	4. Trans- action 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)	
Title of Derivative								 Expira-		or Number
Security	Secur-	(mm/dd/	(mm/dd/				Exer-	tion		of
(Instr. 3)	ity 	уу)	уу)		(A)	(D)	cisable	Date	Title	Shares
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Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Shares held in Individual Retirement Account.
- (2) On July 29, 2002, the Reporting Person changed investment directions to acquire VTA commmon stock under the Company's 401(K)Plan. The information

in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2002.

/s/ John W. McCullough 2/12/03
------**Signature of Reporting Person Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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