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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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\$9.56	12/12/2008			М			17,777	05/23/20	002	05/23/2012	Common Stock	17,777	\$0	0		D	
\$10.47								05/22/20	003	05/22/2013	Common Stock	26,667		26,60	67	D	
\$21.67								12/13/20	003	12/13/2013	Common Stock	15,000		15,00	00	D	
\$13.81								06/10/20	004	06/10/2014	Common Stock	15,000		15,00	00	D	
\$14.26								05/25/20	005	05/25/2015	Common Stock	15,000		15,00	00	D	
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of		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	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$11.52							05/25/2006	05/25/2013	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	D	
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$12.13							06/27/2008 ⁽¹⁾	06/27/2014	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	D	
Nonqualified stock options (rights to buy)	\$14.41							05/21/2009 ⁽²⁾	05/21/2015	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 6/27/08.
- 2. Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 5/21/09.

Greg L. Barnett, Attorney in 12/16/2008 **Fact**

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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