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Form 5

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(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative Sec	uritie	s Acqui	ired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly 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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) of (D) 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/31/2011	Â	L	362	A	\$ 0 (1)	122,413 (4)	D	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	3,201	I	By Spouse

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Nur of Deriva Securi Acqui (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. and 5)	ative ties red sed 3, 4,	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Numbe Shares
Phantom Stock	Â	12/31/2011	Â	L	183	Â	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	183
7% Convertible Trust Preferred - IRA	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	04/15/2019	03/31/2039	Common Stock	12,09
7% Convertible Trust Preferred - Spouse's IRA	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	04/15/2019	03/31/2039	Common Stock	12,09

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		
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TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION	î v	â	â	â		
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Signatures

/s/ Reeder D.
Gates

-**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Shares acquired through reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.

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- Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. Phantom stock represents deferred stock compensation under the Amended and Restated Retainer Plan for Eligible Directors of Tompkins Financial Corporation and its Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries. These shares are held in a rabbi trust pending distribution upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the Plan. The reporting person has no voting or investment power over the shares prior to such distribution.
- (3) The Trust Preferred Securities were issued by Tompkins Capital Trust I, all of the common securities of which are owned by Tompkins Financial Corporation (TMP). The Trust Preferred Securities are convertible, at any time on or after April 15, 2019, into TMP Common Stock at a price of \$41.35 per share or, if higher, the average of the closing prices of TMP Common Stock on the trading days in the calendar quarter preceding the date of conversion. The amount set out in Item #7 above uses the \$41.35 conversion price.
- (4) Includes 110,587 shares of TMP stock held in the reporting person's IRA that were previously reported as "Common Stock IRA".
- Includes 5,150 shares of phantom stock held in the rabbi trust referenced above that were previously reported as "Common Stock Drip" (5) shares in Table I in the reporting person's Form 5 filed on February 15, 2011. The reporting person intends to report all such shares of phantom stock in Table II in future reports.

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