Stapley Gregory K. Form 5 February 16, 2010

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7,800

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\$0

12/17/2009

Stock

Trust Dated

April 25, 2006 (1)

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1,038,250

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Common Stock	12/30/2009	Â	G	200	D	\$ 0	45,300	I	By Marian K. Stapley Revocable Trust Dated April 29, 1965 (2)

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Stapley Gregory K. 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691	Â	Â	Vice President	Â			
Signatures							

Daniel H. Walker, as attorney 02/16/2010 in fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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These shares are directly owned by the Stapley Family Trust dated April 25, 2006 and indirectly by Gregory K. Stapley as Trustee of the trust. Gregory K. Stapley is an officer of the issuer.

These shares are directly owned by the Marian K. Stapley Revocable Trust dated April 29, 1965 and indirectly by Gregory K. Stapley as (2) Trustee of the trust. Gregory K. Stapley is an officer of the issuer. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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