HILDEBRANDT OSCAR A

Form 5

February 16, 2010

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

11/06/2009

12/31/2009

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Common

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Stock

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e			ities	(Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

SAN DIEGO, CAÂ 92108

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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7676 HAZARD CENTER DRIVE STE 1500 Â X Â Â Â

Signatures

Oscar A. Hildebrandt by Lee Polson, attorney-in-fact

02/16/2010

**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) Restricted stock granted in an exempt transaction pursuant to Rule 16b-3 which vested on November 6, 2009.
- (2) Represents the closing market price of the registrant's common stock on the date of vesting of the restricted stock grant.
- (3) Represents year-end ownership only. No indirect ownership transactions are reported on this Form 5.

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