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Form 5

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Snyder Steven T.

Symbol PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC

(Check all applicable)

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(Middle)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

02/06/2012

SR VP-Corp Development

10% Owner Other (specify

825 BERKSHIRE BLVD, SUITE

(Street)

(State)

200

(City)

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

WYOMISSING, PA 19610

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Conversion

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities Deriva

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8) Ac (A Di (D (In	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Securi (Instr.
				Code V	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	02/06/2012		A	8,	,132		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	8,132	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Snyder Steven T. 825 BERKSHIRE BLVD, SUITE 200 WYOMISSING, PA 19610

SR VP-Corp Development

Signatures

/s/Robert S. Ippolito as attorney-in-fact for Steven T Snyder

02/08/2012

**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) Upon vesting, the recipient is entitled to a cash payment for each unit equal to the fair market value on the vesting date of one share of the Company's common stock.
- (2) The Phantom Stock Unit is scheduled to vest over 4 years at 25% per year on the anniversary date of the grant.

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