Stephan Michael J Form 4 December 02, 2011

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Stephan Michael J

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below) below) VP - Corporate Controller

200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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 (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported 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)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	d of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.99	12/01/2011		A		1,169		<u>(1)</u>	03/01/2021	Common Stock	1,169

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Stephan Michael J			VP -					
200 SW 1ST AVE			' <del>-</del>					
SUITE 1600			Corporate					
FORT LAUDERDALE EL 33301			Controller					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Jonathan P. Ferrando, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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) The option becomes exercisable in 25% annual increments on each of the first four anniversaries of June 1, 2011, subject to continuous employment with the Company.

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