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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** KIRSCHBAUM JAMES L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERLING FINANCIAL CORP /WA/ [STSA]				5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) ((3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/08/2007					below)	X Officer (give title Other (specify			
SPOKANE		Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-	Derivative	Secui	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day	Date, if Tran Cod y/Year) (Inst	e	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/08/2007	11/08/200)7 S		12,550	D	\$ 17.544	0	D			
Common Stock								5,656	I	401k ownership		

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

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KIRSCHBAUM JAMES L 111 N. WALL STREET SPOKANE, WA 99201

Vice President-Sterling Sav. P

Signatures

Daniel G. Byrne 11/08/2007

**Signature of Person Date

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