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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **BLAKENHAM MICHAEL** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SOTHEBYS [BID]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

06/15/2008

10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

1334 YORK AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

X Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 4)

Person

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

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Zip)

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

Following

(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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	- 8
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	]
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)			(

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V **Expiration Title** (A) (D) Date Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Dividend Common Equivalent <u>(1)</u> 06/15/2008 Α 118.19 (1) (1) 118.19 Stock Rights

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other **BLAKENHAM MICHAEL** 1334 YORK AVENUE X NEW YORK, NY 10021

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jonathan A. Olsoff as 06/16/2008 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).
- The Dividend Equivalent Rights have accrued under the Sotheby's 1998 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (as amended and restated, the "Plan") with respect to Deferred Stock Units received by the reporting person under the Plan. The Deferred Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalent Rights will be settled 100% in Sotheby's Common Stock (except that fractional shares, if any, will be settled in cash) after the reporting person's termination of service on the Sotheby's Board.
- (2) Not Applicable

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