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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Brandon Joseph Patrick

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALLEGHANY CORP /DE [Y]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

09/03/2012

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

Executive Vice President

ALLEGHANY CORPORATION, 7 TIMES SQUARE TOWER, 17TH

(Street)

(State)

09/03/2012

FLOOR

(City)

Common

Stock

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

NEW YORK, NY 10036

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (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 Reported

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

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

\$0

or Price Code V Amount (D)

9.023

A

Α

29,183

 $D^{(1)}$

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Brandon Joseph Patrick ALLEGHANY CORPORATION 7 TIMES SQUARE TOWER, 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Joseph P. Brandon 11/09/2012

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Consists of restricted stock units, each representing a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock. 15% of the restricted stock units vest on each of the first six anniversaries of the date of grant and the remaining 10% of the restricted stock units vest on the seventh anniversary of the date of grant. If the reporting person's employment with the issuer terminates prior to vesting, any unvested restricted stock units will be forfeited.

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