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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		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ities	(Instr. 5)
		Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
		Security				Acquired					
		•				(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
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										Number	
										of	
						(A) (D)				Shares	

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### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Clemmens Robert T

C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL INC.

C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC. 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250 BOSTON, MAÂ 02116

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02/10/2012

### **Signatures**

/s/ Daniel K. Crowley as attorney-in-fact for Robert T. Clemmens

\*\*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) Represents a portion of shares of restricted stock previously granted by the Issuer that were forfeited to pay withholding taxes upon vesting on December 13, 2011.

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