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Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5	STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES								Expires: January 31, 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response 0.5	
obligations may continue. <i>See</i> Instruction 1(b).	-	a) of the H	Public U	tility Hol	ding Con		of 1935 or Secti			
(Print or Type Respon	ises)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SMITH KEITH			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOYD GAMING CORP [BYD]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (I	Middle)	3 Date o	f Earliest T	ransaction		(Check all applicable)				
3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY, NINTH FLOOR			(Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2007				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President			
(Street)			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				
LAS VEGAS, NV	V 89169						Person	where than one R	epotting	
(City) (S	State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
	nsaction Date h/Day/Year)	2A. Deema Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V		(A) or of (D)	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)	
Reminder: Report on	a separate line	for each cla	ass of sec	urities bene	ficially owr	ed directly	or indirectly.			
	.1				Person inform require	ns who rest ation cont ed to respo ys a curre	spond to the colle ained in this forn ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co	n are not rm	SEC 1474 (9-02)	

 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
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	I	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.11	12/06/2007		А		185,000		<u>(1)</u>	12/06/2017	Common Stock	185,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SMITH KEITH 3883 HOWARD HUGHES NINTH FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NV 89169	PARKWAY			President			
Signatures							
Keith Smith	12/10/2007						

<u>**</u>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) Options granted under Boyd Gaming Corporation's 2002 Stock Incentive Plan. Vesting plan calls for options to become exercisable at the rate of 33.333% per year on the first day of each successive 12 month period commencing one year from grant date.

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