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1(b).

(401k)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Buchanan	Address of Reporting John D	Symbo	suer Name and Ticker or Trading ol IONS FINANCIAL CORP [RI	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer								
(Last) POBOX	, ,	(Middle) 3. Date (Mont	te of Earliest Transaction th/Day/Year) 2/2008	(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) General Counsel								
BIRMINO	(Street)	Filed(1	Amendment, Date Original 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) T	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)								
Phantom Stock Units	04/22/2008(1)		J ⁽²⁾ 6,376 A \$ 21.69	6,376 I Supplemental								

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.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Buchanan John D

General Counsel POBOX 10247

BIRMINGHAM, AL 352020247

Signatures

/s/ Buchanan, 04/24/2008 John

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- Determined pursuant to Rule 16a-3(g)(4).
- Represents share equivalent of phantom stock in supplemental 401(k) plan acquired in a non-discretionary transaction upon the merger of **(2)** two existing plans.

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