VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2 Jaguar Nama and Tiakar or Trading

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HORSTING WALTER M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP [VLY]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) ((M	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2006				Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) below)			
WAYNE,	(Street)	4.]	12/18/2006 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				First Senior Vice President 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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code Year) (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Di (D)	4 and (A) or	d of	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)	
Common Stock	12/18/2006		G	64	D	\$ 0	15,251 (1) (2)	D		
Common Stock	01/24/2007	01/29/2007	S	1,100	D	\$ 25.5	14,151 (1) (2)	D		
Common Stock (401K Plan)	01/24/2007		J <u>(3)</u>	253	A	\$ 0	4,642	D		
Common Stock	12/18/2006		G	50	A	\$0	86	I	CUSTODIAN FOR DAUGHTER	

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Common **CUSTODIAN** 12/18/2006 G 14 A \$0 50 Ι Stock FOR MINORS

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 17.5148					05/30/2001	05/30/2011	Common Stock	2,279
Stock Option	\$ 21.669					11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	2,735
Stock Option	\$ 21.9683					02/15/2003	02/15/2012	Common Stock	2,279
Stock Option	\$ 23.5048					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	6,300
Stock Option	\$ 25.2698					11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	3,473
Stock Option	\$ 25.3696					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	5,513
Stock Option	\$ 25.71					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

2 Reporting Owners

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HORSTING WALTER M 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-

First Senior Vice President

Signatures

WALTER M. 01/29/2007 HORSTING

**Signature of Reporting Date
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).
- Includes restricted shares granted under VNB 1999 Long Term Stock Incentive Plan, vesting in five equal installments beginning one year from the grant date.
- (3) Balance adjustment representing life to date employer Valley stock match
- (1) Valley declared a 5% stock dividend on April 5, 2006, payable May 22, 2006 to shareholders of record on May 8, 2006.

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