#### BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC Form 3 December 20, 2006 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB APPROVAL FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

## **INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

#### (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> DIMOCK RODNEY C			<ul><li>2. Date of Event Requiring</li><li>Statement</li><li>(Month/Day/Year)</li></ul>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [(BHLB)]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	12/14/2006	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
24 NORTH STREET								
	(Street)	treet) (Check all applicable)		)	6. Individual or Joint/Group			
PITTSFIELD, MA 01201			X_ Directo Officer (give title below	OfficerOther		Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr		
Common Stock			3,401		D	Â		
Common Stock			2,900		Ι	By LLC		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)								

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### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
			Derivative	Security:	

Number:						
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Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or	Security	Direct (D)
Exercisable	Date		Number of		or Indirect
			Shares		(I)
					(Instr. 5)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Add	·ess	Relationships				
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DIMOCK RODNEY C 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 0120		Â	Â	Â		
Signatures						
/s/ Dimock, Rodney C.	12/14/2006					
<u>**</u> Signature of	Date					

<u>\*\*</u>Signature of Reporting Person

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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