RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP

Form 4

March 12, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VANNUCCI ROBERT A

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP [RIV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/12/2008

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President of ROC

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

LAS VEGAS, NV 89144

11016 ARBOR PINE

(State) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Ownership (Instr. 4)

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burden hours per

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 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 **Transaction**Derivative **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 (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)
Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or

Number of Shares

30,000

Incentive

Common Stock Stock par

Option \$ 2.3333 03/11/2008 M 30,000 06/11/2001 06/11/2008 value

par value \$.001 per \$.001 per share

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VANNUCCI ROBERT A 11016 ARBOR PINE LAS VEGAS, NV 89144

President of ROC

Signatures

Robert A. Vannucci 03/12/2008

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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