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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DETROIT STOKER Co			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [HALL]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	. , ,	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX_ Other (specify below)					
1510 E. FIRST ST. (Street)			04/08/2009					See Explanation				
			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
MONROE,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		emed on Date, if 'Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) 7. Nature Indirect Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	04/08/2009			P	195	A	\$ 6.65	71,474	D (1) (2)			
Common Stock	04/09/2009			P	6,600	A	\$ 6.5	78,074	D (1) (2)			
Common	04/13/2009			P	7,014	A	\$ 6.75	85,088	D (1) (2)			

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	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	cution Date, if Transaction		onNumber Expiration Date		Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or Number		
						Exercisable	sable Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DETROIT STOKER Co 1510 E. FIRST ST. MONROE, MI 48161

See Explanation

Signatures

/s/ Mark E. 04/13/2009 Schwarz

**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).
- The Reporting Person holds 85,088 shares directly. The Reporting Person is also a member of a "group" for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and accordingly may be deemed to beneficially own Shares of the Issuer's Common
- (1) Stock owned in the aggregate by the other members of the Section 13(d) group. The Group consists of the Reporting Person., Newcastle Capital Management, L.P., Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C., Newcastle Special Opportunity Fund I, L.P., Newcastle Special Opportunity Fund II, L.P., Newcastle Focus Fund II, L.P., Mark Schwarz, DSC Services Inc. and the Detroit Stoker Company.
- (2) Continuation of Footnote 1: The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Issuer's Common stock owned by the other members of the Section 13(d) group except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

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