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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tsokova Olga

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CITY NATIONAL CORP [CYN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

CITY NATIONAL BANK, 555 S.

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

02/22/2012

below) below)

FLOWER ST., 11TH FL.

SVP & Chief Accounting Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

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Person

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

LOS ANGELES, CA 90071

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

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(9-02)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

Security

(Instr. 3)

02/22/2012

A 188 (1) A

\$0 2,073 D

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)

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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. Number 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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.66	02/22/2012		A	1,546	<u>(2)</u>	02/21/2022	Common Stock	1,546
Cash-Settled Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/22/2012		A	188	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	188

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tsokova Olga CITY NATIONAL BANK 555 S. FLOWER ST., 11TH FL. LOS ANGELES, CA 90071

SVP & Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

Olga Tsokova 02/23/2012

**Signature of Person Date

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).
- (1) These shares of Common Stock constitute grants of restricted stock acquired from the registrant pursuant to the registrant's 2008 Omnibus Plan, as amended.
- (2) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2013.
- (3) The cash-settled restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2014 and settle in cash.

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