

Utton Nicholas
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Utton Nicholas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
E TRADE FINANCIAL CORP
[ETFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/11/2010

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP & Chief Marketing Officer

C/O E*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION, 135 E. 57TH STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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NEW YORK, NY 10022

(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)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/11/2010		F		9,824 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$ 1.46
Common Stock	02/11/2010		A		504,794 ⁽²⁾	A	\$ 0
							1,338,515
							1,843,309

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 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. Transaction 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
Option Grant	\$ 1.46	02/11/2010		A	408,369	(2)	02/11/2017	Common Stock	408,369

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Utton Nicholas C/O E*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION 135 E. 57TH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10022			EVP & Chief Marketing Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Karl A. Roessner, Attorney-in-Fact for Nicholas Utton
Date: 02/16/2010

__Signature of Reporting 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) Shares reported were withheld for payment of taxes associated with the vesting of a grant of restricted stock originally made on February 11, 2008.
- (2) 1/3 of the restricted stock unit award will vest on February 11, 2011; 1/3 of the restricted stock unit award will vest on February 11, 2012; and 1/3 of the restricted stock unit award will vest on February 11, 2013.

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