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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 52.56	01/26/2006		A	18,437	01/26/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ 01/26/2016	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THORSON JOHN A			SVP/Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

By: John "Robert" A. Thorson
Date: 01/27/2006

**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) The restricted performance shares granted in 2003 have vested upon meeting performance criteria.
- (2) Includes dividends reinvested through 11/18/05.
- (3) Includes allocations through 12/31/05 to Westamerica Bancorporation's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement (ESOP) Plan as reported in its latest quarterly report.
- (4) These option vest ratably over three years beginning one year from date of grant.

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