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OMB APPROVAL OMB UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per **OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES** response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer GARBER RICHARD P Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP (Check all applicable) [VLY] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (First) Director 10% Owner _Officer (give title Х Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2005 FIRST SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT 1455 VALLEY ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) WAYNE, NJÂ 07470-_X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount	d (A) o d of (D 4 and (A) or)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	29,595 <u>(1)</u>	D	Â
Common Stock (401K Plan)	12/30/2005	Â	J <u>(2)</u>	243	A	\$0	4,626	D	Â

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)	of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D (Instr	Number Expiration		Date Exercisable and xpiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 15.2	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	10/27/1998	10/27/2007	Common Stock	8,37	
Stock Option	\$ 15.8952	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	10/23/1999	10/23/2008	Common Stock	8,37	
Stock Option	\$ 16.5905	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/12/2000	11/12/2009	Common Stock	7,97	
Stock Option	\$ 18.6571	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/15/2001	11/15/2010	Common Stock	7,59	
Stock Option	\$ 21.2095	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/07/2002	11/07/2011	Common Stock	5,15	
Stock Option	\$ 22.7524	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	6,48	
Stock Option	\$ 24.68	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	7,00	
Stock Option	\$ 26.5333	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	6,61	
Stock Option	\$ 26.6381	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	6,30	
STOCK OPTION/NQ	\$ 21.2095	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/07/2002	11/07/2011	Common Stock	2,08	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GARBER RICHARD P 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-	Â	Â	FIRST SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	Â			

Signatures

RICHARD P GARBER

02/08/2006

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) Includes restricted shares granted under VNB 1999 Long Term Stock Incentive Plan, vesting in five equal installments beginning one year from the grant date.
- (2) Balance adjustment representing life to date employer Valley stock match

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