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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Last) (First) (Middle) 1130 MERIDIAN DRIVE					Relationship of Reporting Per (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title below)		son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)		If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street) PRESTO (City)	PA (State)	15142 (Zip)				55.017	selewy			X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
		T	able I - Non	-Derivati	ive S	ecurities Beneficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						unt of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
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Common Stoo	ck					17,016	(Instr. 5)					
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>/s/ David J. DeCarlo</u> <u>05/18/2011</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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