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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 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer PUCELLA MICHAEL Symbol DIME COMMUNITY (Check all applicable) BANCSHARES INC [DCOM] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) Director 10% Owner X _ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2008 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT 209 HAVEMEYER STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) BROOKLYN. NYÂ 11211 _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Ownership Indirect Security Execution Date, if (A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Beneficial (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end (D) or Ownership of Issuer's Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Fiscal Year (Instr. 4) (A) (Instr. 3 and or (D) Price Amount Common 12/31/2008 12/31/2008 1,011 42,387 Ι Bmp Α Stock 13.3 Common Â Â Â Â Â Â Â 30,599 D Stock Common Â Â Â Â Â Â 0 I 401(k) Plan Stock

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Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	9,643	I	Restricted Stock Awards
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	2,025	I	Other

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)	Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.45	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	12/26/1997	12/26/2006	Common Stock	0
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.91	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	18,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.36	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	0
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.16	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/01/2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	20,250

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

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PUCELLA MICHAEL
209 HAVEMEYER STREET Â Â Â EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT Â
BROOKLYN, NYÂ 11211

Signatures

/s/ MICHAEL PUCELLA 02/24/2009

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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