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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Rathbun Ro	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP [(CHFC)]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 235 E MAIN STREET			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2013					Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) Officer of Principal Bus. Unit			
MIDI AND	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
MIDLAND, MI 48640								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ov							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/18/2013			M	100	A	\$ 19.97	1,706	D		
Common Stock								100.464	I (1)	By son	
Common Stock								100.464	I (1)	By daughter	

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 19.97	03/18/2013	M	100	(2)	04/20/2021	Common Stock	100	9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rathbun Robert

235 E MAIN STREET MIDLAND, MI 48640 Officer of Principal Bus. Unit

Signatures

/s/ Lori A. Gwizdala, His Attorney-In-Fact

03/19/2013

**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).
- The reporting person disclaims any beneficial ownership of all shares owned by his children. The filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission that the reporting person is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose, the beneficial owner of the securities owned by his children.
- (2) Vests in three equal annual installments beginning on April 19, 2012.

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