MEYER ROBERT

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MEYER ROBERT			Symbol						Issuer			
	VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP [VLY]						(Check all applicable)					
(Last)	(First)	(Month				ansaction			Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
1455 VALLEY ROAD			11/14/2011						Executive Vice President			
		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)				
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(City)	(State)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securi n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d 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 (1)	11/14/2011			F		1,224	D	\$ 12	47,532	D		
Common Stock (1)	11/15/2011			F		1,632	D	\$ 11.79	45,900	D		
Common Stock (401k Plan)									3,717	D		
Common Stock (with Spouse)									124,243	D		

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	•	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 12.5					11/15/2011	11/15/2020	Common Stock	12,576
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 16.22					11/27/2002	11/27/2011	Common Stock	14,692
Stock Options	\$ 13.75					11/28/2001	11/28/2010	Common Stock	22,396
Stock Options	\$ 16.22					11/27/2002	11/27/2011	Common Stock	6,639
Stock Options	\$ 16.97					11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	18,617
Stock Options	\$ 19.8					11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	17,729
Stock Options	\$ 19.88					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	16,887
Stock Options	\$ 18.42					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	19,430
Stock Options	\$ 20.14					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	21,059
Stock Options	\$ 15.38					02/12/2009	02/12/2018	Common Stock	20,057

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MEYER ROBERT 1455 VALLEY ROAD

Executive Vice President

WAYNE, NJ 07470-Signatures

/s/ ROBERT M. MEYER 11/15/2011

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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) Valley National Bancorp declared a 5% stock dividend on April 13, 2011, to shareholders of record on May 6, 2011, payable May 20, 2011.
- (2) Holdings under the Valley 401K Plan has been updated to reflect reporting person's balance in the Plan.

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