TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

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PAGE RICHARD W.

(Last)

(First)

C/O TOMPKINS FINANCIAL

CORPORATION, P O BOX

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/04/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP [TMP]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director

10% Owner

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Sr. Vice President, CTO

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

ITHACA, NYÂ 14851

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: Direct (D)

(Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. 5. Conversion or Exercise

Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Exercisable Date

Title

Amount or Number of Derivative Security

Price of

Security: Direct (D)

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Shares or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) $\hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{=} 11/29/2017 \stackrel{Common}{Stock} 5,000 $41 D \hat{A}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Signatures

Richard W Page 08/12/2008

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The option becomes exercisable in six annual installments commencing two years after the date of grant.

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