NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Issuer Name 4. Statement for Person' and Ticker or Trading (Month/Day/Year Bamburg, Michael Symbol 12/30/2002 NovaStar Financial, Inc. (Last) (First) (Middle) NFI 8140 Ward Parkway 5. If Amendment, Suite 300 3. I.R.S. Identification Date of Original Number of Reporting (Month/Day/Year) Person, if an entity (Street) (voluntary) Kansas City, MO 64114 (State) (City) (Zip)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_ Director __ 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) _ Other (specify below)

Description

- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Owner-ship Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	٧	Amount	A/D	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/30/2002	12/30/2002	P/X		2,500	Α	\$3.75	126,637	D	
Common Stock	12/30/2002	12/30/2002	P/X		5,000	Α	\$6.38	131,637	D	

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 Deri-	3. Transaction Date (Month/	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or	6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficia Owned		

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	vative Security	Day/ Year)	Day/ Year)			(D)	sed Of str. 3, 4	(Month/Day/Year)					Following Reported Transact (Instr.4)
				Code	V	А	D	DE	ED	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Stock Option	\$3.75	12/30/2002	12/30/2002	х			2,500	12/20/02	12/20/10	Cpmmon Stock	2,500	\$3.75	32,50
Stock Option	\$6.38	12/30/2002	12/30/2002	х			5,000	12/30/02	12/30/08	Common Stock	5,000	\$6.38	27,50

Explanation of Responses:

By:	Date:
/s/ Michael L. Bamburg	01/02/2003
** Signature of Reporting Person	SEC 1474 (9-02)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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