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may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BURAN JOHN R** Issuer Symbol FLUSHING FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [FFIC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1979 MARCUS AVENUE, SUITE 03/13/2009 President & CEO E140 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LAKE SUCCESS, NY 11042 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired action(A) or Disposed of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
(Ilisu. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/13/2009	03/16/2009	I	1,563	A	\$ 5.87 (1)	19,816 (2)	I	401(k)
Common Stock							99,587	D	

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)

8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. sorNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	(3)					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	11,831

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BURAN JOHN R							
1979 MARCUS AVENUE, SUITE E140	X		President & CEO				
LAKE SUCCESS, NY 11042							

Signatures

Signed by Russell A. Fleishman under Power of Attorney by John R.Buran 03/16/2009

**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).
- (1) Intra-plan transfer into Company Stock. All shares purchased at \$5.87.
- (2) Shares held in FSB 401(k) Savings Plan a/o 3/13/09.
- **(3)** 1:1
- (4) Includes amounts credited to Mr. Buran's account through 03/13/09. The vested account balance will paid in a cash lump sum or in installments as elected by the reporting officer upon termination of employment (in accordance with IRS 409A).

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