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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Talwar Har	ting Person *	2. Issue Symbol	er Name a	nd Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Discov	er Finar	icial Services [DFS]	(Check	all applicable)	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	of Earliest	Transaction			
			(Month/	Day/Year		Director	10% Owner	
2500 LAKE COOK ROAD			10/01/2	2012		X Officer (give tirbelow)	tle Other (specify below)	
						Executive	e Vice President	
	(Street)		4. If Am	endment,	Date Original	6. Individual or Join	nt/Group Filing(Check	
			Filed(Mo	onth/Day/Y	ear)	Applicable Line)		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Nor	a-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially Owned	
1 Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Dec	emed	3.	4 Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. 7. Nature	

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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. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	10/01/2012		M	67,456	` /	\$ 18.05	414,204.47	D	
Common Stock	10/01/2012		S	67,456	D	\$ 39.76 (1)	346,748.47	D	
Common Stock							653.61	I	By ESOP

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Employee Stock Option	\$ 18.05	10/01/2012		M	67,456	(2)	01/02/2014	Common Stock	67,456

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Talwar Harit

2500 LAKE COOK ROAD Executive Vice President

RIVERWOODS, IL 60015

Signatures

Simon Halfin as Attorney-in-Fact for Harit
Talwar

10/03/2012

**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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$39.75 to \$39.79, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Discover Financial Services, any security holder of Discover Financial Services, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- (2) This option became fully vested on January 2, 2009.
- (3) In connection with Discover Financial Services' Spin-Off from Morgan Stanley, this option was granted by Discover Financial Services in replacement of an option to purchase 14,202 shares of common stock of Morgan Stanley at an exercise price of \$55.45.

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