

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
DELANEY ELIZABETH E			VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP [VLY]	(Check all applicable)
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)	<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)
1455 VALLEY ROAD			12/31/2004	SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)
WAYNE, NJ 07470-				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) or (D)	Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock							4,973 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock -- (401K Plan)	12/31/2004		J ⁽²⁾	251	A	\$ 0	808	D	
Common Stock							78	I	Spouse - IRA

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 15.8	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	10/27/1998 10/27/2007	Common Stock	996
Stock Option	\$ 17.05	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	10/23/1999 10/23/2008	Common Stock	1,596
Stock Option	\$ 17.72	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/12/2000 11/12/2009	Common Stock	3,039
Stock Option	\$ 19.78	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/15/2001 11/15/2010	Common Stock	2,894
Stock Option	\$ 22.27	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/07/2002 11/07/2011	Common Stock	2,756
Stock Option	\$ 23.89	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/18/2003 11/18/2012	Common Stock	2,481
Stock Option	\$ 27.86	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/17/2004 11/17/2013	Common Stock	2,625
Stock Option	\$ 27.97	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/16/2005 11/16/2014	Common Stock	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DELANEY ELIZABETH E 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-	Â	Â	Â	SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT Â

Signatures

ELIZABETH E. DE
LANEY

02/08/2005

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) Includes restricted shares granted under VNB 1999 Long Term Stock Incentive Plan, vesting in five equal installments beginning one year from the grant date.
- (2) Balance update on Valley shares held under the Valley 401k plan, as of December 31, 2004.

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