#### REPUBLIC BANCORP INC

Form 4

November 18, 2004

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BENZ LEE E Issuer Symbol REPUBLIC BANCORP INC (Check all applicable) [RBNC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1070 E MAIN ST 11/18/2004 (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

**OWOSSQ, MI 48867** 

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 6. Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common 11/18/2004 A 322 A  $68,742 \frac{(1)}{}$ D Stock 13.825

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)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |                                   |                     | ate             | 7. Title<br>Amoun<br>Under | nt of<br>lying<br>ities | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
|   | Derivative<br>Security                      |   |   |                                       | Securities<br>Acquired            |                     |                 | (Instr.                    | 3 and 4)                |  | Owne<br>Follo                   |
|   |   |   |   |                                       | (A) or<br>Disposed                |                     |                 |                            |                         |  | Repo<br>Trans                   |
|   |   |   |   |                                       | of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) |                     |                 |                            |                         |  | (Instr                          |
|   |   |   |   |                                       | 4, and 3)                         |                     |                 |                            | Amount                  |  |                                 |
|   |   |   |   |                                       |                                   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title                      | or<br>Number<br>of      |  |                                 |
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                | (A) (D)                           |                     |                 |                            | Shares                  |  |                                 |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                   | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| r g  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| BENZ LEE E<br>1070 E MAIN ST<br>OWOSSQ, MI 48867 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |  |

### **Signatures**

Lee E. Benz 11/18/2004

\*\*Signature of Person Date

\*\*Reporting Person

## **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).

Reporting person also indirectly owns (i) 20,389 shares held in childrens' custodial accounts, (ii) 648 shares held by Spouse in an IRA account, (iii) 847 shares held in a guardian account, and (iv) 5,300 shares held by reporting person's parent and over which the reporting person exercises investment control/discretionary power (as of July 16, 2004).

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