

CARLINO PETER M
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CARLINO PETER M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC
[PENN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/12/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

WYOMISSING, PA 19610

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/12/2006 | | A | | 60,000 | A | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | 1,487,832 ⁽²⁾ | 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)

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| 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 33.12 | 01/12/2006 | | A | 300,000 | 01/12/2007 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/12/2016 | | | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CARLINO PETER M 825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200 WYOMISSING, PA 19610 | X | X | Chairman & CEO | |

Signatures

/s/Robert S Ippolito as attorney-in-fact for Peter M. Carlino

01/17/2006

__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) Vests over 4 years at 25% a year on the anniversary of the date of grant.

(2) The reporting person is also the indirect beneficial owner of 10,528,266 shares, which are owned by The Carlino Family Trust, a greater than ten percent owner of the issuer, of which Peter M. Carlino is a Trustee. Peter M. Carlino is also the indirect beneficial owner of 1,212,660 shares owned by the Grantor Retained Annuity Trust of Marshia W. Carlino dated January 19, 2005 of which Peter M. Carlino is the Trustee. Peter M. Carlino disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Carlino Family Trust and the Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, and this report should not be deemed an admission that Peter M. Carlino is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purpose of section 16 or any other purpose.

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