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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC [HOV] Hovnanian Family 2012 (Month/Day/Year) L.L.C. 12/18/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 5. If Amendment, Date Original 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 110 WEST FRONT STREET, (Check all applicable) P.O. BOX 500 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group __X__ 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person RED BANK. NJÂ 07701 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Class A Common Stock 970,849 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 6. Nature of Indirect 1. Title of Derivative Security 4. 5. **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Class B Common Stock	(1)	(2)	Class A Common	3,883,395	\$ <u>(1)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting 6 with Funder Fundament		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hovnanian Family 2012 L.L.C. 110 WEST FRONT STREET, P.O. BOX 500 RED BANK, NJ 07701	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Ara K. Hovnanian, HEI special purpose manager

12/27/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, non-cumulative, is immediately converted into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, non-cumulative.
- (2) No expiration date.

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