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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Monteleo	-	orting	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol National Bank Holdings Corp [NBHC]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	09/19/2012		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
5570 DTC H	PARKWAY				(Check all applicable)						
	(Street)							6. Individu	6. Individual or Joint/Group		
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111					Director10% Owner XOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) Director of Human Resources		_X_ Form f Person Form fi	_X_ Form filed by One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	lon-Derivat	ive S	ecurities l	Beneficially	Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)				Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Ownership Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			ect Beneficial				
Reminder: Rep owned directly		te line for ea	ch class of secu	rities benefici	ially S	EC 14'	73 (7-02)				
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			ities beneficia	ny Owneu (e.	.g., puts, cans,	warre	ints, options	, convertible	securities)		
1. Title of Deri (Instr. 4)	vative Securit	y 2. Date Expirati (Month/Day		Securit	and Amount o ies Underlying tive Security 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		

Date

Exercisable

Expiration

Title

Date

Derivative

Security

Amount or

Number of

Shares

Security:

Direct (D)

or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

(I)

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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	03/21/2021	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 20	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	10/11/2018	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 20	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Monteleone Lisa R 5570 DTC PARKWAY GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111	Â	Â	Director of Human Resources	Â			
Signatures							
/s/ Mark W. Yonkman, as attorney-in-fact		/2012					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Da	ite					

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) Granted under the 2009 National Bank Holdings Corporation Equity Incentive Plan. Stock award is time-vested with half vesting on March 21, 2013 and half on March 21, 2014.

Granted under the 2009 National Bank Holdings Corporation Equity Incentive Plan. Subject to the issuer's common stock being listed on(2) a public exchange, the stock option award is time vested and is scheduled to vest in equal installments on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant, which grant occurred on October, 11, 2011.

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