

BOYD GAMING CORP
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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 LARSON BRIAN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3883 HOWARD HUGHES
 PARKWAY, NINTH FLOOR
 (Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89169

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BOYD GAMING CORP [BYD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/16/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 04/16/2008 | | A | V Amount (D) \$ 0 (1) | 23,095 (1) | 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu | Deriv | Secur | Benef | Own | Follo | Repo | Trans | (Instr |
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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | |

Code V (A) (D)

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LARSON BRIAN A 3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY NINTH FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NV 89169 | | | Executive Vice President | |

Signatures

Brian A. Larson 04/17/2008

**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) The Reporting Person was awarded 23,095 Restricted Stock Units for no consideration pursuant to the Issuer's 2002 Stock Incentive Plan. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer common stock upon vesting. The Restricted Stock Units will vest in full upon the sooner to occur of (i) April 16, 2013 or (ii) a date after October 16, 2009 upon which the closing price of the Issuer's common stock is \$25.98 (which represents 150% of the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on April 15, 2008) or greater for twenty (20) consecutive trading days beginning on or after October 16, 2009. The Restricted Stock Units are subject to the forfeiture and other terms and conditions contained in the award agreement and the 2002 Stock Incentive Plan.

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