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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HANSEN DENNIS R Issuer Symbol WESTAMERICA (Check all applicable) BANCORPORATION [WABC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) WESTAMERICA 01/26/2009 SVP/Systems & Operations Mgr. BANCORPORATION, 4550 MANGELS BLVD (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting 94534 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 01/26/2009 660 (1) A \$0 690 D Α Stock Common 6,590 I Deferred Stock Common 21,116.225 (2) I Esop Stock

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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HANSEN DENNIS R WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION 4550 MANGELS BLVD 94534

SVP/Systems & Operations Mgr.

Signatures

/s/ Dennis R. 01/26/2009 Hansen

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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 Restricted Performance Shares granted in 2006 vested on 1/26/08 upon meeting performance criteria.
- (2) Includes allocations through 12/31/08 in Westamerica Bancorporation's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement (ESOP) Plan.

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