FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Burke Thomas						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC [PENN]									c all appli Directo	cable) or	oorting Person(s) to Iss 10% Ow		vner
(Last) 825 BER	,	First) BLVD SUITE 20	(Middle)			f Earlie 012	est Trar	nsaction (f	saction (Month/Day/Year)					Officer (give title Other (spec below) below) Sr VP-Regional Operations			:pecity		
(Street) WYOMISSING PA 19610					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)												Perso	n			
		Tab	le I - No						-	, Dis	<u> </u>	of, or Be							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution D			Code	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		ties Acquir I Of (D) (Ins		nd 5) Securit Benefic Owned		es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	e	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 01/17/2						2012					768	A	\$10).195	44	44,441		D	
Common Stock 01/17/2					/2012	2012			S		768	D	\$4	0.89	43,673			D	
		Т	able II -									, or Ber ble sec			wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,		ransaction ode (Instr.		of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Number of Shares	er					
Non- Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$10.195	01/17/2012			M			768	11/01/20	06 1	1/01/2012	Common Stock	768		\$0	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. All transactions on this form 4 were made pursuant to a stock trading plan, dated December 15, 2011, established pursuant to rule 10b5-1

/s/Robert S Ippolito as

attorney-in-fact for Thomas

Burke

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

01/19/2012

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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