## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CARLINO PETER M</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC [ PENN ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
						LETTI THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPER								1	X Director		tor	10% Owner		wner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									X Office below				Other below)	specify		
825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200					03/18/2009									Chairman & CEO								
(Street)						4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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(City)		(State	e) (2	Zip)													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. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Dat			Date,	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			l and Securit Benefic Owned		ies cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
											v	Amount (A) (C)		A) or D)	Price	1	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/18					03/18/	/2009						52,438	8 A		\$0	490,987 <sup>(2)(3)(4)</sup>		987(2)(3)(4)	D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Gecurity Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		ay/Year)	Code (13)	ansaction de (Instr.  5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount of Security (Instr. and 4)		ount	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owner Form Direct or Inc (I) (In	t (D) lirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares acquired by Peter M. Carlino as a beneficiary under the Carlino Family Trust.
- 2. Mr. Carlino and Marshia W. Carlino are joint owners of 129,136 of the shares reported as held by him directly.
- 3. The reporting person is also the indirect beneficial owner of (a) 8,449,418 shares which are owned by the Carlino Family Trust a greater than 10% owner of the issuer of which Peter M. Carlino is a Trustee; and (b) 191,715 shares, which are owned by The Trust for Gary Gilbert, of which Peter M. Carlino is a Trustee. Peter M. Carlino disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by each of the Carlino Family Trust and The Trust for Gary Gilbert, and this report should not be deemed an admission that Peter M. Carlino is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purpose of section 16 or any other purpose. On March 18,2009, the Carlino Family Trust distributed 423,420 shares to certain beneficiaries, including the reporting person
- 4. The reporting person is also the indirect beneficial owner of (a) 231,380 shares owned by a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (a GRAT) executed by Peter M. Carlino on 9/23/05; (b) 21,659 shares owned by GRAT executed by Peter M. Carlino on 6/14/07; (d)509,303 shares owned by a GRAT executed by Peter M. Carlino on 6/26/08; (e) 270,165 shares owned by a GRAT executed by Peter M. Carlino on 11/20/08; and (f) 315,002 shares owned by a GRAT executed by Marshia W. Carlino on 11/20/08. Mr. Carlino is the Trustee of each of the GRATs. Mr. Carlino disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by all of the GRATs, and this report should not be deemed an admission that Peter M. Carlino is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose

/s/Robert S Ippolito as attorney-in-fact for Peter M.

03/20/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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