Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CRAMER HAROLD</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC [PENN]								elationship c eck all applic C Directo	able)	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2008									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
(Street) WYOMISSING PA 19610 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tal	ble I - Non-	-Deriva	tive	Sec	curitie	s Ac	cquired, Di	sposed	l of	, or Ben	eficiall	y Owned					
Date				2. Transac Date (Month/Da	Execution Date			Code (Instr. 5)							s Form ally (D) o ollowing (I) (In		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code V	Amou	nt	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ction(s)			(1150.4)		
	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, Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Co	unsacti de (Ins		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(: (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	de V	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date		Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non- Qualified Stock Options	\$29.34	08/08/2008		А			20,000		08/08/2009 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/20	15	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	20,00	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

(right to buy)

1. Vests over 4 years at 25% a year on the anniversary of the date of grant.

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

08/12/2008

Cramer

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

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