Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] CRAMER HAROLD					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC [PENN]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
CRAWER HAROLD												- 2	X Directo	r		10% Ow	ner		
(Last)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2005								Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of	Security (Ir	istr. 3)		2. Trans	action	n	2A. Deem	ed	3.		4. Securit	ies Acquire	d (A) or	5. Amou	nt of	6. Ov	nership 7	7. Nature of	
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								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		orted saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			Instr. 4)		
			Table II - I (uired, Di , option					Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversio or Exercis Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			nd 7. Title and An of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s Ily I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non- Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$58.44	01/06/2005			A		30,000		01/06/2006	(1)	10/06/2012	Common Stock	30,000	\$0	30,00	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Exercisable over 4 years at 25% a year

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

01/10/2005

<u>Cramer</u>

** 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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