

HARTZ GREGORY J
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 HARTZ GREGORY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP
 [TMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 EVP, Pres.&CEO Tompkins Trust

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, P.O. BOX 460

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

ITHACA, NY 14851

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) or (D)	Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/14/2008	^	L	1	A	\$ <u>(1)</u> 27		I	By Son
Common Stock - 401k/esop	12/31/2008	^	L	385	A	\$ <u>(2)</u> 1,457		D	^
Common Stock - Ira	^	^	^	^	^	^	731	D	^

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Common Stock Drip	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	3	I	By Daughter
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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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
					(A)	(D)			
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.25	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â ⁽³⁾ 09/16/2013	Common Stock	1,815
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.34	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â ⁽³⁾ 05/03/2014	Common Stock	2,723
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.39	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â ⁽⁴⁾ 01/23/2016	Common Stock	5,500
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.51	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â ⁽⁴⁾ 01/18/2017	Common Stock	7,500
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â ⁽⁴⁾ 11/29/2017	Common Stock	1,954
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â ⁽⁴⁾ 11/29/2017	Common Stock	8,046

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			Other
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	
HARTZ GREGORY J TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION P.O. BOX 460 ITHACA, NY 14851	Â	Â	Â	EVP, Pres.&CEO Tompkins Trust Â

Signatures

/s/ Gregory J. Hartz
 02/11/2009
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Shares acquired through reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.
- (2) Shares acquired through payroll deferral and reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.
- (3) The stock option becomes exercisable in four annual installments commencing two years after the date of grant.
- (4) The stock option becomes exercisable in six annual installments commencing two years after the date of grant.

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