

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORP

Reported by
DENAHAN A ALEXANDRA

FORM 5

(Annual Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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 Form 3 Holdings Reported
 Form 4 Transactions Reported

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|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | |
| DENAHAN A ALEXANDRA | | CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORP [CIM] | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (MM/DD/YYYY) | | | |
| C/O CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION, 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS SUITE 2902 | | 12/31/2011 | | | |
| (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | |
| NEW YORK, NY 10036 | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 90000 | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. 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 (MM/DD/YYYY) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|-----|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DENAHAN A ALEXANDRA C/O CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS SUITE 2902 NEW YORK, NY 10036 | | | CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER | |

Signatures

/s/ A. Alexandra Denahan

1/26/2012

** 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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