

Gil de Lamadrid Jose J
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Gil de Lamadrid Jose J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ORIENTAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [OFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 URB. LOMAS DE LA SERRANIA, VIOLETA ST. S-315
 (Street)
 CAGUAS, PR 00726
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/18/2009
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 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. 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) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction of Derivative | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. Pr Deriv |
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Units <u>(1)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | 02/18/2009 | A | | 3,333 | | <u>(3)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 3,333 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Gil de Lamadrid Jose J URB. LOMAS DE LA SERRANIA VIOLETA ST. S-315 CAGUAS, PR 00726 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Jose Gil de Lamadrid
02/19/2009
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Awarded pursuant to the Amended and Restricted Oriental Financial Group Inc. 2007 Omnibus Performance Incentive Plan.
- (2) Not applicable. The Grantee is expected to receive the underlying shares of common stock at the end of the Restricted Period.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Restricted Period shall lapse in its entirety on the third anniversary of the date of this Award.
- (4) See prior footnote.
- (5) Not applicable.

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