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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement National Bank Holdings Corp [NBHC] Hinderhofer Kathryn M (Month/Day/Year) 09/19/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 5570 DTC PARKWAY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) **GREENWOOD** Form filed by More than One Chief of Integrations VILLAGE, Â COÂ 80111 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) $60,000 \stackrel{(1)}{=} \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ D Â Common Stock Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities U	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	04/01/2020	Common Stock	75,000	\$ 20	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	10/11/2018	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 20	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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Hinderhofer Kathryn M	^	^	^	^		
5570 DTC PARKWAY	Α	Α	Chief of Integrations	A		
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111						

Signatures

/s/ Mark W. Yonkman, as attorney-in-fact

09/19/2012

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Total includes 53,334 shares of unvested restricted stock granted under the National Bank Holdings Corporation 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, which shares are scheduled to vest as follows: (i) 6,667 will vest solely based on continued service on October 21, 2012; (ii) 8,889
- (1) will vest after the per share stock price equals or exceeds \$25.00 for 30 days; (iii) 8,889 will vest after the per share stock price equals or exceeds \$28.00 for 30 days; (iv) 8,889 will vest after the per share stock price equals or exceeds \$32.00 for 30 days; (v) 6,666 will vest on the later of October 11, 2012 and the per share stock price equaling or exceeding \$28.00 per share for 30 days; (Continued in Footnote 2)
- (vi) 6,667 will vest on the later of October 11, 2013 and the per share stock price equaling or exceeding \$32.00 per share for 30 days; and
 (vii) 6,667 will vest on the later of October 11, 2014 and the per share stock price equaling or exceeding \$34.00 per share for 30 days, with unvested shares of restricted stock set forth in (v), (vi) and (vii) only vesting if the shares of issuer's common stock are listed on a public exchange.
- (3) Granted under the National Bank Holdings Corporation 2009 Equity Incentive Plan. Stock option award is time-vested with 1/2 having previously vested and the remaining 1/2 is scheduled to vest on October 21, 2012.
- Granted under the National Bank Holdings Corporation 2009 Equity Incentive Plan. Subject to the issuer's common stock being listed on a public exchange, the stock option award is time vested and is scheduled to vest in equal installments on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant, which grant occurred on October 11, 2011.

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