AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HOREY LEO S III Issuer Symbol **AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES** (Check all applicable) INC [AVB] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O AVALONBAY 02/25/2011 Executive Vice President COMMUNITIES. INC., BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N. **GLEBE ROAD** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ARLINGTON, VA 22203 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 7. Nature of TransactionDisposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock, par 65,880.7705 D value 02/25/2011 M 2.036 Α \$ 49.09 (1) \$.01 per share Common 02/25/2011 M 11,472 A \$ 67.86 77,352.7705 (1) Stock, par value

share

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2011	F	1,691	D	\$ 118.11	75,661.7705 (1)	D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2011	S	15,000	D	\$ 117.3333 (2)	60,661.7705 (1)	D

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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.09	02/25/2011		M	2,036	02/12/2005(3)	02/12/2014	Common Stock	2,03
Employee Stock Options (Right to	\$ 67.86	02/25/2011		M	11,472	02/11/2006(5)	02/11/2015	Common Stock	11,4

Reporting Owners

Buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

2 Reporting Owners

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HOREY LEO S III C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N. GLEBE ROAD ARLINGTON, VA 22203

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Catherine T. White, as attorney-in-fact under Power of Attorney dated February 23, 2009

03/01/2011

**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) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$117.00 to \$117.50. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (3) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 12, 2004, which became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 2005.
- (4) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person held a total of 130,895 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.
- (5) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 11, 2005, which become exercisable in three annual installments beginning on February 11, 2006.
- (6) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 119,423 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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