

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP
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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 *
FETSKO FRANCIS M

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)
C/O TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, PO BOX #460
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/29/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, CFO & Treasurer

ITHACA, NY 14851

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)	Price		
Common Stock	04/29/2008		M	3,192 A	\$ 20 4,523	D	
Common Stock	04/29/2008		S	3,192 D	\$ 49.05 1,331	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2008		M	500 A	\$ 20 1,831	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. 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20	04/29/2008		M	3,192	<u>(1)</u> 09/14/2010	Common Stock	3,192
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20	05/01/2008		M	500	<u>(1)</u> 09/14/2010	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FETSKO FRANCIS M C/O TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION PO BOX #460 ITHACA, NY 14851			EVP, CFO & Treasurer	

Signatures

Francis M. Fetsko 05/01/2008

**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 stock option becomes exercisable in four installments commencing two years after the grant date.

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