MCCOY CAROL A

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(encen un appricate)		
TORCHMARK CORPORATION, 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH			(Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2011	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specification) below) VP, Assoc. Counsel & Secretary		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			(D)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/29/2011		M	29,039	A	\$ 54.77	81,852	D		
Common Stock	03/29/2011		S	26,177	D	\$ 65.7684 (1) (2)	55,675	D		
Common Stock							7,350 (3)	I	Thrift Plan Trust	
Common Stock							66 <u>(3)</u>	I	Profit Sharing & Retirement	

Trust

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54.77	03/29/2011		M	29,039	11/04/2005	05/04/2012	Common Stock	29,039

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCCOY CAROL A TORCHMARK CORPORATION 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

VP, Assoc. Counsel & Secretary

Signatures

Carol A. McCoy 03/29/2011

**Signature of 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) Sales at prices ranging from \$65.6502 per share to \$65.96 per share.
- (2) Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer.

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(3) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$66.03 per share.

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