TORCHMARK CORP

Form 4

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

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response...

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RICHEY RONALD K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

TORCHMARK

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 11/04/2004

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify below) below)

Chairman of Exec. Committee

CORPORATION, 2001 THIRD **AVENUE SOUTH**

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

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tal | ble I - Non | -Derivative | Secur | ities Acqu | iired, Disposed o | f, or Benefici | ally Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securition of Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) Amount | d of (I | O) | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 510,922 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/04/2004 | | S | 154,103 | D | \$ 55.33 | 374,264 | I | By Family Partnership |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 109,350 (1) | I | By Charitable Remainder Unitrust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 218,625 (1) | I | By Spouse's Charitable |

Remainder Unitrust

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) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | 7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr. | int of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|---|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Relationships

Date

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | | • |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RICHEY RONALD K | | | | |

TORCHMARK CORPORATION 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

X

Chairman of Exec. Committee

Signatures

R.K. Richey, by /s/ Carol A. McCoy, 11/05/2004 Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Reporting person continues to report beneficial ownership of all TMK stock held by charitable remainder unitrusts, but disclaims beneficial ownership except of his and/or his spouse's pecuniary interest therein.

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