

TORCHMARK CORP
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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 *
KLYCE MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TORCHMARK CORPORATION, 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH

(Street)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/13/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
VP & Treasurer

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					22,393	D	
Common Stock					1,743 ⁽¹⁾	I	Profit Sharing & Retirement Trust
Common Stock					1,195 ⁽¹⁾	I	Thrift Plan Trust
Torchmark Capital					4,000	I	By Family Trust

Trust
Preferred
Securities

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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.48	12/13/2005		A	9,000	<u>(2)</u> 12/13/2012	Common Stock	9,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KLYCE MICHAEL J TORCHMARK CORPORATION 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233			VP & Treasurer	

Signatures

Michael J. Klyce, By: /s/ Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-fact 12/15/2005

__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) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$55.48 per share.
- (2) First exercisable as to 50% of shares on and after 12-13-2007 and as to remaining 50% of shares on and after 12-13-2008.

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