2. Date of Event Requiring 2. Laguer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

1. Name and Address of Reporting

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/18/2009	4. Relationsh Person(s) to	nip of Reporting Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR (Street) NEW YORK, NY 10038				Directo X Officer (give title belo		6. Individual or Joint/Group		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	urity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		Ownership	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								

f Derivative	e 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	rcise Form of Ownership	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	````

				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock option	05/21/2010(1)	05/21/2019	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 8.99	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	reporting of their runner reduced		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SAKS DAVID C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038		Â	Â	CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	Â		
Signatures							
/s/ David Saks	05/27/2009						

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Stock options vest as follows: 25% of the options granted to the Reporting Person under the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan vest on May 21, 2010. The remaining 75% of the options vest pro rata quarterly over the three-year period following May 21, 2010.

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