

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**DETROIT STOKER Co**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [HALL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1510 E. FIRST ST.,  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/18/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 see attached explanation

MONROE, MI 48161

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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. 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/18/2012		P		20,200	A	\$ 7.08
							890,666
							D (1) (2)
Common Stock	04/19/2012		P		5,427	A	\$ 7.04
							896,093
							D (1) (2)
Common Stock	04/20/2012		P		6,798	A	\$ 7.1
							902,891
							D (1) (2)

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

DETROIT STOKER Co  
1510 E. FIRST ST.  
MONROE, MI 48161

see attached explanation

NEWCASTLE PARTNERS L P  
200 CRESCENT COURT  
STE 1400  
DALLAS, TX 75201

see attached explanation

NEWCASTLE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LP  
200 CRESCENT COURT  
STE 1400  
DALLAS, TX 75201

see attached explanation

NEWCASTLE CAPITAL GROUP LLC  
200 CRESCENT COURT  
STE 1400  
DALLAS, TX 75201

see attached explanation

DSC Services, Inc.  
200 CRESCENT COURT  
SUITE 1400  
DALLAS, TX 75201

see attached explanation

SCHWARZ MARK E  
200 CRESCENT COURT  
STE 1400  
DALLAS, TX 75201

X                    X

see attached explanation

## Signatures

Detroit Stoker Company, L.L.C.	04/20/2012
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Newcastle Partners, L.P., By: Newcastle Capital Management, L.P., its general partner, By: Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C. its general partner, By: /s/ Mark E. Schwarz, its managing member	04/20/2012
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Newcastle Capital Management, L.P., its general partner, By: Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C. its general partner, By: /s/ Mark E. Schwarz, its managing member	04/20/2012
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C. its general partner, By: /s/ Mark E. Schwarz, its managing member	04/20/2012
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
DSC Services, Inc.	04/20/2012
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Mark E. Schwarz	04/20/2012
__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) Purchases made by Detroit Stoker Company ("Detroit Stoker"). The Reporting Persons are members of a "group" for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and accordingly may be deemed to beneficially own Shares of the Issuer's Common Stock owned in the aggregate by the other members of the Section 13(d) group. The Section 13(d) group consists of Newcastle Partners, L.P. ("NP"), Newcastle Capital Management, L.P. ("NCM"), Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C. ("NCG"), DSC Services Inc. ("DSC"), Detroit Stoker and Mark E. Schwarz ("Schwarz"). Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Issuer's Common Stock owned by the other members of the Section 13(d) group except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

(2) NCM is the general partner of NP. NCG is the general partner of NCM, and Schwarz is the managing member of NCG. Accordingly, each of NCM, NCG and Schwarz may be deemed to beneficially own the shares directly owned by NP. In addition, DSC is the parent company of Detroit Stoker, and Schwarz and NCG together own all of the outstanding shares of DSC. Accordingly, each of Schwarz and DSC may be deemed to beneficially own the shares directly owned by Detroit Stoker.

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