

TRI VALLEY CORP
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FORM 4

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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 *
BLYSTONE F LYNN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

P O BOX 1105

(Street)

BAKERSFIELD, CA 93302

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TRI VALLEY CORP [TIV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/06/2008

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)
Chairman, President & CEO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common stock					498,603	D	
Common stock	05/06/2008	05/06/2008	C	6,500 A	\$ 0.5 505,103	D	

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 2					08/17/1997	08/22/2008	Common stock	100,000
Option	\$ 2.43					09/16/2000	09/16/2010	Common stock	50,000
Option	\$ 1.22					11/10/2000	11/10/2010	Common stock	200,000
Option	\$ 1.36					10/22/2001	10/22/2011	Common stock	300,000
Option	\$ 0.5	05/06/2008	05/06/2008	C	10,000 (1)	06/19/1999	06/19/2009	Common stock	74,350

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLYSTONE F LYNN P O BOX 1105 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93302	X		Chairman, President & CEO	

Signatures

F. Lynn
Blystone
05/08/2008

**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) Mr. Blystone exercised 10,000 of his stock options. 6,500 were issued in his name. The remaining 3,500 were given as gifts to family members.

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