

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>OFFENSEND DAVID G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O NY PUBLIC LIBRARY,</u> <u>5TH AVE AND 42ND ST, RM 210</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10018</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP INC [</u> <u>HHGP]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/16/2008</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2008	12/18/2008	A		904	A	\$3.19	32,760.81	I	By Deferred Comp Plan ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock								55,000	D	
Share Units ⁽²⁾								4,187.2891	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.83							(3)	04/11/2013	Common Stock	50,000	50,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Balance reflects the reporting person's holdings in the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan as of the date of this filing.
- Share Units credited to the reporting person's account under the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Director Deferred Share Plan. Each Share Unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Common Stock. Share Units are payable only in Common Stock after a director's Separation from Service.
- Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan. The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 40% immediately upon the date of grant, 60% after 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 80% after 2nd anniversary, and 100% after 3rd anniversary.

Remarks:

John K. Wilson, Attorney-in-Fact 12/18/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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