COWNIE JAMES S

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **COWNIE JAMES S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MACERICH CO [MAC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2012

THE MACERICH COMPANY, 401 **WILSHIRE BOULEVARD #700**

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SANTA MONICA, CA 90401

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

(1)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

COMMON STOCK

01/03/2012

Code V Amount M 3,341

(D)

87,437 (2)

D

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	01/03/2012		M	3,341	01/03/2012	01/03/2012	Common Stock	3,341

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
COWNIE JAMES S THE MACERICH COMPANY 401 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD #700 SANTA MONICA, CA 90401	X					

Signatures

Madonna R. Shannon for James S. Cownie

01/05/2012

**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) Each unit of phantom stock was the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. All of these units of phantom stock were settled for shares of common stock.
- In addition, 4,042 shares are held by his wife. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares held by his wife and this (2) report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such shares for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise.
- (3) Includes 3,462.22 previously unreported phantom stock units accrued under the dividend reinvestment feature of the Plan.

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