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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wheatlake Franklin C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP

[(CHFC)]

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

12/21/2012

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307

9264 E 7 MILE ROAD

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

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

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

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

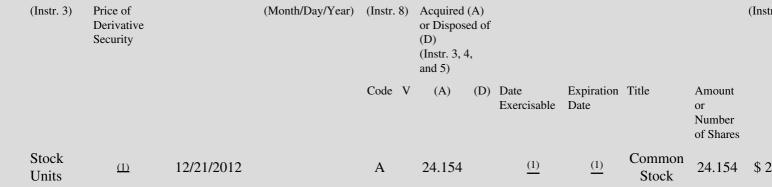
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr TransactionDerivative (Month/Day/Year) **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivative Conversion Execution Date, if Deri (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise Code Securities Secu any

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wheatlake Franklin C 9264 E 7 MILE ROAD BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307	X			

Signatures

/s/ Lori A. Gwizdala, His
Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- Award of stock units representing dividend equivalents pursuant to Chemical Financial Corporation Directors' Deferred Stock Plan.
- (1) Shares of common stock are issuable on a one-for-one basis in either a lump sum or installments after termination of service as a director or upon a change in control of the Company.

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