MERCANTILE BANK CORP

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

stock

(Print or Type I	Responses)									
1. Name and A CASSARD	Symbol MERCA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERCANTILE BANK CORP [MBWM]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
WATERS E	(First) (Mi CORPORATION, BUILDING, 161 NW, SUITE 104	(Month/Da	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/21/2009				X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
GRAND RA	(Street) APIDS, MI 49503-	Filed(Mon	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ 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 Owner.									lly 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		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)		
Common stock	05/21/2009		P	989	A	\$ 3.6	14,859 (1)	D		
Common stock	05/22/2009		P	1,811	A	\$ 3.59	16,670	D		
Common									By daughter in	

issuer's

401(k) plan

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securities		(Instr. 5)]
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						4, and 5)						
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					G 1 17	(A) (B)				of		
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CASSARD DAVID M WATERS CORPORATION, WATERS BUILDING 161 OTTAWA NW, SUITE 104 GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49503-2799



Signatures

/s/ Jerome M. Schwartz Attorney-in-fact

05/26/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Includes shares acquired since Mr. Cassard's last report of common stock ownership by reinvesting cash dividends under the issuer's dividend reinvestment plan.
- (2) Includes shares Mr. Cassard's daughter acquired pursuant to the issuer's 401(k) plan since Mr. Cassard's last report of common stock ownership.

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