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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EVOLVANCE COMMISSION							OMB APPROVAL		
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 144 NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933						OMB Number: 3235-010 Expires: December 31, 2006 Estimated average burden hours per response 4.47			
ATTENTION:							SEC USE ONLY		
Transmit for filing 3 copies of this form concurrently with either placing an order with a broker to execute sale or executing a sale directly with a market maker.						DOCUMENT SEQUENCE NO.			
						CUSIP NUMBER			
1 (a) NAME OF ISSUER (Please type or print) (b) (c)					WORK LOCATION				
			IRS IDI NO. 61-06	ENT. 547538	FILE NO.				
1 (d) ADDRESS OF ISSUER STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE					(e) TELEPHONE				
500 West Main Street		Louisville			AREA CNDE 502	NUMBER 580-100400202			
2 (a) NAME OF PERSON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT THE SECURITIES ARE TO BE SOLD Bonita C. Hathcock	(b) IRS IDENT. N N/A	OTO I Senio Presi Chie	SSUER or Vice ident - f Human ources	(ESS STRE CITY V. Main Louis	STATE ZIP CODE			
INSTRUCTION: The person filing this notice should contact the issuer to obtain the I.R.S. identification Number and the S.E.C. File Number									

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Title of the Class of Securities To Be Sold	Name and Address of E Each Broker Through Whom the Securities Are To Be Offered or Each Market Maker who is Acquiring the Securities	roker-Do File Numbe	ealer Shares or Other Units	Aggregate Market Value (See Instr. 3(d)	Number of Shares or Other Units Outstanding (See Instr. 3(e))	Approximate Date of Sale (See Instr. 3(f)) (MO. DAY YR.)	Name of Each Securities Exchange (See instr. 3 g))	
Common	Nat City Investments National City Tower 101 S. Fifth Street Louisville, KY 40202		40,000	\$2,451,66 (Based on FMV on 8/23/06 of \$61.29)	00.65,395, as of 8/23/06	54 5 ugust 25, 2006	NYSE	
INSTRUCTIONS: 1. (a) Name of Issuer (b) Issuer's I.R.S. Identification Number (c) Issuer's S.E.C. file number, if any (d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within (d) Issuer's address, including zip code(e) Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt securities the							ggregate e within	

- 2. (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold
 - (b) Such person's I.R.S. identification number, if such person is an entity
 - (c) Such person's relationship to the issuer (e.g., officer, director, 10% stockholder, or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing
- (d) Such person's address, including zip code

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Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

(e) Issuer's telephone number, including alrea thedenost recent report or statement published by the issuer

(f) Approximate date on which the securities are to be sold

(g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to

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TABLE I - SECURITIES TO BE SOLD

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor.

Title of the Class	Date you Acquired	Nature of Acquisition Transaction	Name of the Person from Whom Acquired (if gift, also give date donor acquired	Amount of Securities Acquired	Date of Payment	Nature of Payment
Common	8/25/06	Stock Option Exercise	Issuer	40,000	8/25/06 (Same day as exercise)	Cash

INSTRUCTIONS:

If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.

TABLE II - SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS (1)

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

Name and Address of Seller	Title of Securities Sold	Date of Sale	Amount of Securities Sold	Gross Proceeds	
N/A					
REMARKS:					

INSTRUCTIONS: ATTENTION:

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See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) 9 of Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

The person for whose account the securities to which this notice relates are to be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective operations of the issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed.

8/24/06 /s/ Bonita C. Hathcock

DATE OF NOTICE (SIGNATURE)

This notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be manually signed.

Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed or printed signatures.

ATTENTION: Intentional misstatements or omission of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

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