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Form 5

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FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer SILVER JEFFREY A Symbol RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP [RIV] (Check all applicable) (First) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 12/31/2008 below) below) C/O RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP., 2901 LAS VEGAS BLVD S. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) LAS VEGAS. NVÂ 89109 _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Amount Common Stock par Â Â Â Â Â Â 21,000 D value \$.001 per share (1)Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of Persons who respond to the collection of information **SEC 2270**

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1) (2)	\$ 2.35 (3)	02/26/2001	Â	A	6,000 (3)	Â	(4)	02/26/2011	Common Stock par value \$.001 per share	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1) (2)	\$ 2.1833 (<u>3)</u>	05/10/2001	Â	A	6,000 (<u>3)</u>	Â	(4)	05/10/2011	Common Stock par value \$.001 per share	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1) (2)	\$ 2.5833 (3)	05/10/2002	Â	A	6,000 (<u>3)</u>	Â	(4)	05/10/2012	Common Stock par value \$.001 per share	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1) (2)	\$ 1.8666 (3)	05/12/2003	Â	A	6,000 (<u>3)</u>	Â	(4)	05/12/2013	Common Stock par value \$.001 per share	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1) (5)	\$ 21.6	05/22/2006	Â	A	6,000	Â	(4)	05/22/2016	Common Stock par value \$.001 per share	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1) (5)	\$ 36.56	05/17/2007	Â	A	6,000	Â	(4)	05/17/2017	Common Stock par value \$.001 per share	6,000
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 15.35	05/19/2008	Â	A	6,000	Â	(4)	05/19/2018	Common Stock par value	6,000

Buy) (1) \$.001 per share

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SILVER JEFFREY A C/O RIVIERA HOLDINGS CORP. 2901 LAS VEGAS BLVD S. LAS VEGAS, NVÂ 89109

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Signatures

/s/ Silver, Jeffrey
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2/11/2009

**Signature of Page Date
Reporting Person

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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).
- This Form 5 is being filed to clarify the Reporting Person's beneficial ownership of derivative and non-derivative securities as of the Issuer's fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.
- (2) Acquired pursuant to Issuer's 1996 Non-Qualified Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (3) Adjusted to reflect the 3/11/2005 3-for-1 stock split.
 - First 20% of the options vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant, second 20% of the options vest on the second anniversary of the
- (4) date of grant, third 20% of the options vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, fourth 20% of the options vest on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant and the remaining 20% of the options vest on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant.
- (5) Acquired pursuant to Issuer's 2005 Non-Qualified Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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