#### NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement NOVASTAR FINANCIAL INC [NFI] A Pazgan David A (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 8140 WARD PARKWAY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person KANSAS CITY, MOÂ 64114 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One **Executive Vice President** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) NovaStar Financial Inc. Common Stock D Â 138,742 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	urity 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect		

				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option	12/19/2005	12/19/2011	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	5,000	\$ 7.16	D	Â
Stock Option	12/18/2005	12/18/2012	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	3,500	\$ 12.22	D	Â
Stock Option	12/18/2006	12/18/2012	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	3,500	\$ 12.22	D	Â
Stock Option	02/07/2006	02/07/2015	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,425	\$ 42.13	D	Â
Stock Option	02/07/2007	02/07/2015	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,425	\$ 42.13	D	Â
Stock Option	02/07/2008	02/07/2015	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,425	\$ 42.13	D	Â
Stock Option	02/07/2009	02/07/2015	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,425	\$ 42.13	D	Â
Time-vesting Restricted Stock (3)	02/07/2015	(1)	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,825	\$ 0	D	Â
Performance based restricted stock (4)	(4)	(1)(4)	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common	100,000	\$ 0	D	Â

			Stock				
Performance based restricted stock (2)	(2) Â	(1)(2)	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,825	\$ 0	D	Â
Time-vesting Restricted Stock (3)	01/28/2006 Â	<u>(1)</u>	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,000	\$ 0	D	Â
Time-vesting Restricted Stock (3)	01/28/2007 Â	(1)	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,000	\$ 0	D	Â
Time-vesting Restricted Stock (3)	01/28/2008 Â	(1)	NovaStar Financial, Inc. Common Stock	1,000	\$ 0	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Pazgan David A 8140 WARD PARKWAY KANSAS CITY, MO 64114	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		

### **Signatures**

David A. Pazgan 02/11/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Restricted stock is converted to common stock on the exercisable date. Thus, expiration date is not applicable.
- (2) These shares represent a performance contingent deferred stock award, no shares of the stock will be issued unless the performance objective is achieved within three years of the transaction date.
- (3) Time-vesting restricted stock has voting rights and right to receive dividends at transaction date, but is subject to forfeiture.
- These shares represent a performance contingent deferred stock award, no shares of the stock will be issued unless at least the minimum (4) performance objective is achieved within five years of the transaction date. A range of 25,000 to 100,000 shares can be earned based on the range of minimum and maximum performance targets the Company must achieve.

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