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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Add ERNST CHR	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GERMAN AMERICAN BANCORP				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
		[GABC]					(Chech	x an applicable,	,
(Last)	(First) (Mid	, 5.2 4.0 51 2	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				_X_ Director Officer (give	titleOthe	Owner r (specify
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	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
VINCENNES						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Zi	p) Table	I - Non-De	rivative Se	curitie	s Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed 4 and 5 (A)	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON	10/15/2004	10/19/2004	Code V	Amount 30.303	or (D)	Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4) 3,308.7513	D	

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
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					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ERNST CHRISTINA M 1221 OLD ORCHARD RD VINCENNES, IN 47546	X						

Signatures

Mark A Schroeder POA for Christina M Ernst 10/20/2004

**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) Column 5 includes 270.7440 shares owned by Mr. Ernst's spouse in a revocable trust

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