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(Print or Type	e Responses)											
1. Name and PAYNE D	Address of Reporting AVID L		Symbol WESTA	AMEF	RIC	nd Ticker o CA ATION []			5. Relationship of Issuer	Reporting Per		
(Last)	(First)							10% Owner				
WESTAMERICA (Month/Day BANCORPORATION, 4550 MANGELS BLVD.									XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below) below) Chairman, President & CEO			
(Street) 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 							
	LD, CA 94554								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - N	on-	Derivative	e Secu	irities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day	ate, if	3. Transa Code (Instr. 3 Code	8)	4. Securiti nor Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 Amount	ed of		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	11/01/2012			М		19,381	А	\$ 40.75	365,189	Ι	By Trust	
Common Stock	11/01/2012			S		19,381	D	\$ 44.5838 (1)	345,808	I	By Trust	
Common Stock									528,837	I	By Gibson Radio & Publishing Company (2)	

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	onversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Da Exercise any ice of (Month/Day/ erivative	Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
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Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.75	11/01/2012		М	19,381	01/23/2004	01/23/2013	Common Stock	19,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships							
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
PAYNE DAVID L WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION 4550 MANGELS BLVD. FAIRFIELD, CA 94534		Х		Chairman, President & CEO					
Signatures									
/s/ David L. Payne	11/02/2012								
<u>**</u> 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).

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- (1) This is a weighted average price of multiple transactions for the same option. The price ranges from \$44.50 to \$44.77.
- (2) The reporting person is President and CEO of Gibson Radio and Publishing Company and disclaims beneficial ownership of 528,837 shares.

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