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February 01, 2013

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP

Symbol

INC [BHLB]

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

TEMPLETON D JEFFREY

(Last)	(First) (M		3. Date of Earliest Transaction					_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify		
24 NORTH STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2013					below) below)		
	(Street)		Filed(Month/Day/Year) Ap				Applicable Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
PITTSFIELI	PITTSFIELD, MA 01201 — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						eporting			
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any (Month/D	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D))	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	01/30/2013			A	1,244	A	\$0	1,244	I	By Stock Award VI
Common Stock								19,948 (5)	D	
Common Stock								0 (5)	I	By Stock Award III
Common Stock								314 (5)	I	By Stock Award IV

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Common Stock 873 $\underline{^{(5)}}$ I Award V $\underline{^{(3)}}$

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed	es d		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 37.25					06/01/2005	01/30/2014	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 31.2					06/01/2005	06/07/2014	Common Stock	660

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TEMPLETON D JEFFREY 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201	X						

Signatures

/s/ Marc P. Levy, Pursuant to Power of Attorney 02/01/2013

**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) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 30, 2011.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 30, 2012.
- (3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 30, 2013.
- (4) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 30, 2014.
- (5) Since the reporting person's last report, 604 shares previously held through Stock Award III, 314 shares previously held through Stock Award IV, and 437 Shares previously held through Stock Award V have vested and are now owned directly.

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