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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lyght Rose-Marie

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC [NLY]

(Check all applicable)

MD, Co-Head Port Mgmt

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/23/2008

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC., 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS. **SUITE 2902**

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial any (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Code Amount

Common 12/23/2008 M 3,226 48,481 D Stock 11.72

Class A Preferred 1,028 D Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D) | or or osed of r. 3, 4, | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 17.97 | | | | | | 08/04/2004 | 08/04/2013 | Common Stock | 20,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 17.39 | | | | | | 04/19/2005 | 04/19/2014 | Common Stock | 20,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 17.07 | | | | | | 07/07/2006 | 07/07/2015 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 11.72 | 12/23/2008 | | M | | 3,226 | 02/13/2007 | 02/13/2016 | Common Stock | 3,226 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 15.7 | | | | | | 05/17/2008 | 05/17/2017 | Common Stock | 40,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 16.46 | | | | | | 05/08/2009 | 05/08/2018 | Common Stock | 53,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock (1) | \$ 15.61 | | | | | | 09/19/2009 | 09/19/2019 | Common Stock | 53,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| . 9 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Lyght Rose-Marie C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 2902 NEW YORK, NY 10036 | | | MD, Co-Head Port Mgmt | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Rose-Marie

Lyght 12/23/2008

**Signature of Person

Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Options previously granted.

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