

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â DETROIT STOKER Co			(Month/Day/Year)	HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [HALL]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/31/2009	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
1510 E. FIRST ST.				(Check all applicable)	
(Street)				<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
MONROE,Â MIÂ 48161				<input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
				See Explanation	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	71,279	D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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

Shares (I)  
(Instr. 5)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DETROIT STOKER Co 1510 E. FIRST ST. MONROE, MI 48161	Â	Â	Â	See Explanation

## Signatures

/s/ Mark E.  
Schwarz 04/08/2009

\*\*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).

The Reporting Person holds 71,279 shares directly. The Reporting Person is also a member of a "group" for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and accordingly may be deemed to beneficially own Shares of the Issuer's Common

- (1) Stock owned in the aggregate by the other members of the Section 13(d) group. The Group consists of Newcastle Partners, L.P., Newcastle Capital Management, L.P., Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C., Newcastle Special Opportunity Fund I, L.P., Newcastle Special Opportunity Fund II, L.P., Newcastle Focus Fund II, L.P., Mark Schwarz, DSC Services Inc. and the Reporting Person.
- (2) Continuation of Footnote 1: The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Issuer's Common stock owned by the other members of the Section 13(d) group except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

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