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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>\*</u> Gardunio James F

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Middle)

SIERRA BANCORP [BSRR]

(Check all applicable)

86 N. MAIN STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2009 \_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below) below)

S.V.P./Chief Credit Officer

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

PORTERVILLE, CA 93257

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date 2. Transaction Date 3. Transaction Date 3.

2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities
TransactionAcquired (A) or
Code Disposed of (D)
(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Reported
or Transaction(s)
(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 a

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Pri Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Deriv Security or Exercise Code of(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Secur any

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative (Instr Derivative Securities Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Common 11/19/2009 11/19/2019 \$8.8 4,000 Option Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gardunio James F

86 N. MAIN STREET S.V.P./Chief Credit Officer

PORTERVILLE, CA 93257

## **Signatures**

By: L. Diane Rotondo, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **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).

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