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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Siegworth Lorraine M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
518 E. BROAD	` '		(Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2011	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
COLUMBUS, OH 43215			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) or l of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D) Pric	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIISU: 4)	(IIIsu. +)
Common Shares without par value	03/03/2011		A	0	A \$0	3,522.32 (1)	D	

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)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) NQ	\$ 17.03	03/03/2011		A	10,353	03/03/2012(2)	03/02/2021	Common Shares	10,3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Siegworth Lorraine M 518 E. BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Vice President

Signatures

Lorraine M. Siegworth by James A. Yano, attorney in fact pursuant to POA filed with Commission 5/7/07.

03/07/2011

**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).
- (1) Includes the following acquisitions: 661.644 shares acquired in December 2010 under the State Auto Financial Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) The options vest in thee equal installments beginning on March 3, 2012.
- (3) field should be left blank, but due to a software defect, requires imput.

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