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Transactions

Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TROUBH RAYMOND S	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2009	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
C/O GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, 100 PARK AVENUE					
		(7 11 11 1 7 1 10 7			

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(check applicable line)

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10017

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned at Direct (D) end of or Indirect Issuer's (I) Fiscal Year (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/28/2009	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	Amount 688	(D)	Price \$ 22.86	45,681	D	Â
Common Stock	12/28/2009	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	163	A	\$ 22.86	10,813	I	By Limited Partnership

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
TROUBH RAYMOND S						
C/O GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY	λv	Â	â	Â		
100 PARK AVENUE	АЛ	А	A	A		
NEW YORK, NY 10017						

Signatures

/s/Raymond S.
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**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) Shares received in payment of dividends.
- (2) Held in a Limited Partnership in which the undersigned is General Partner with a 22% interest.

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