SMOLYANSKY EDWARD

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	Idress of Reporting Person * SKY EDWARD	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LIFEWAY FOODS INC [LWAY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Enternal application)				
		(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner				
C/O LIFEWA W. OAKTO	AY FOODS, INC., 6431 N ST.	01/23/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CFO, Treasurer				
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
MODTONIC	PROVE II 40052	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
MORTONG	ROVE, IL 60053		Person				

(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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common stock, no par value	01/23/2012		S	200	D	\$ 9.11	315,846	D			
Common stock, no par value	01/23/2012		S	300	D	\$ 9.12	315,546	D			
Common stock, no par value	01/23/2012		S	1,243	D	\$ 9.13	314,303	D			
Common stock, no	01/23/2012		S	39	D	\$ 9.14	314,264	D			

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par value						
Common stock, no par value	01/23/2012	S	199	D	\$ 9.2 314,065	D
Common stock, no par value	01/23/2012	S	19	D	\$ 9.21 314,046	D

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	Secu Acq (A) Disp of (I (Inst	ivative urities urited or posed D)	6. Date Exerc Expiration Day/ (Month/Day/	ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

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

SMOLYANSKY EDWARD C/O LIFEWAY FOODS, INC. 6431 W. OAKTON ST. MORTON GROVE, IL 60053

CFO, Treasurer

Signatures

Person

/s/ Edward

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**Signature of Reporting Date

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