PERRI JOHN T Form 5 January 21, 2010

FORM 5

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PERRI JOHN T			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PICO HOLDINGS INC /NEW [[PICO]]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) 875 PROSPEC	(First)	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2009	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) below) Vice President, Controller
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)
LA JOLLA,Â	CAÂ 92037	7-4264		V.E. Elli O. D. J. D.

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(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative Sec	curitie	s Acqu	ired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) of (D) 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	40	D	Â
Common	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	263.38	I	BY 401K PLAN
Common (1)	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	30,000	D	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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shar
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 33.76	Â	Â	Â	Â	12/12/2005	12/12/2015	Common	30,00
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 42.71	Â	Â	Â	Â	08/02/2009	08/02/2017	Common	30,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PERRI JOHN T 875 PROSPECT STREET SUITE 301 LA JOLLA, CA 92037-4264	Â	Â	Vice President, Controller	Â			

Signatures

John T. Perri by James F. Mosier per Power of Attorney dated January 28, 2008.

**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).
- Restricted Stock Units were granted on March 3, 2009 and will vest in their entirety on March 3, 2012. Each restricted stock unit
 represents a contingent right to receive one share of PICO common stock upon vesting of the unit if such reporting person remains employed by PICO through the vesting date.

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