FORTESCUE JAMES

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FORTESCUE JAMES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC [NLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2010

(Middle)

(Zip)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

below) MD and Head of Liabilities

C/O: ANNALY MORTGAGE MANAGEMENT, INC., 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, **SUITE 2902**

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Issuer

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City)

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/22/2010		M	4,000	A	\$ 11.72	83,543	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2010		M	5,000	A	\$ 13.25	88,543	D	

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 17.97					08/04/2004	08/04/2013	Common Stock	20,000
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 17.39					04/20/2005	04/20/2014	Common Stock	20,000
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 17.07					07/07/2006	07/07/2015	Common Stock	30,000
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 11.72	12/22/2010		M	4,000	02/13/2007	02/13/2016	Common Stock	4,000
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 15.7					05/17/2008	05/17/2017	Common Stock	40,000
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 16.46					05/08/2009	05/08/2018	Common Stock	53,000
Option to purchase Common Stock (1)	\$ 15.61					09/19/2009	09/19/2018	Common Stock	53,000
Option to purchase Common	\$ 13.25	12/22/2010		M	5,000	04/22/2010	04/22/2019	Common Stock	5,000

Stock (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

FORTESCUE JAMES

C/O: ANNALY MORTGAGE MANAGEMENT, INC. 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 2902 NEW YORK, NY 10036

MD and Head of Liabilities

Signatures

/s/ James P. 12/22/2010 Fortescue

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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) Options previously granted.

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