#### ALLEGHANY CORP/DE

Form 4

February 27, 2008

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Borrelli Jerry

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

ALLEGHANY CORP /DE [Y]

(Check all applicable)

ALLEGHANY CORPORATION, 7

(City)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/26/2008

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Vice President

TIMES SQUARE TOWER, 17TH **FLOOR** 

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if		4. Securities Acquired saction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and (A)	5)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	02/26/2008		A(1)	408	A	\$ 348.77	589 (2)	D			
Common Stock	02/26/2008		D <u>(1)</u>	138	D	\$ 348.77	451	D			

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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

## **Reporting Owners**

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

Borrelli Jerry ALLEGHANY CORPORATION 7 TIMES SOUARE TOWER, 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036

Vice President

### **Signatures**

Jerry G. Borrelli 02/27/2008 \*\*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).
- Settlement of 408 performance shares for Common Stock and \$48,130.26 in cash representing the minimum statutory withholding requirements in respect of the award.
- (2) Includes shares of Common Stock paid by Alleghany Corporation as a stock dividend in April 2007.

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