ISTAR FINANCIAL INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Addi RICE CATHE		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ISTAR FINANCIAL INC [SFI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(energian application)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERCIAS, 27TH FLOOR			03/12/2008	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				below) below) Chief Financial Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
NEW YORK, NY 10036				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Preferred Stock, Series D	03/12/2008		Code V	Amount 1,500 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 14.368	1,500 (2) (3)	D	
Preferred Stock, Series F	03/12/2008		P	1,000 (1)	A	\$ 13.65	2,800 (2) (3)	D	
Preferred Stock, Series F	03/13/2008		P	1,800 (1)	A	\$ 13.7	2,800 (2) (3)	D	
Preferred Stock,	03/13/2008		P	1,500 (1)	A	\$ 13.8	1,500 (2) (3)	D	

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Series G

Preferred Stock, 03/12/2008 P $\frac{2,000}{\frac{(1)}{}}$ A \$ 14.05 4,200 $\frac{(2)}{}$ D Series I

Preferred Stock, 03/13/2008 P $\stackrel{2,200}{{}_{(1)}}$ A $\stackrel{\$}{13,5273}$ 4,200 $\stackrel{(2)}{{}_{(2)}}$ D

Series I

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

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RICE CATHERINE 1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERCIAS, 27TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036

Chief Financial Officer

Relationships

Signatures

s/ Catherine D Rice 03/14/2008

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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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).
- On March 12, 2008 and March 13, 2008, the Reporting Person purchased an aggregate of 10,000 shares of various series of Preferred Stock of iStar Financial Inc. in the open market, as follows: 1,500 shares of Series D Preferred Stock at an average price of \$14.3680 per
- share, 2,800 shares of Series F Preferred Stock at an average price of \$13.6821 per share, 1,500 shares of Series G Preferred Stock at a price of \$13.8000 per share and 4,200 shares of Series I Preferred Stock at an average price of \$13.7762 per share.
- (2) The Reporting Person is also the beneficial owner of a total of 194,973 shares of iStar common stock, all of which are owned directly.
- The Reporting Person also owns 101,934 Restricted Stock Units that have not yet vested, representing the right to receive an equivalent (3) number of shares of iStar common stock if and when the Units vest, pursuant to awards dated March 2, 2006, January 19, 2007 and January 18, 2008.

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