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children per share

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E I I S F I (I
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

ARLINGTON, VAÂ 22203

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
McLaughlin William M								
C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC.	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â				
BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N. GLEBE ROAD								

Signatures

Catherine T. White, as attorney-in-fact under Power of Attorney dated February 22, 2010.

02/04/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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).
- Reflects gift of 140 shares.
- The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- (3) No transaction is reported. Reflects shares held in trust for minor children which were previously held directly.

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