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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **FARAHI JOHN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT

INC [MCRI]

10/21/2010

(Check all applicable)

CEO

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

X Director X_ Officer (give title below) below)

X 10% Owner Other (specify

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC, 1175 MOANA LANE SUITE

(Street)

200

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Issuer

RENO, NV 89509

(City) (State)

(Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Code V Amount (D) Price

2,828,558

Stock

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	Date Exercisable and xpiration 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/right to buy	\$ 11.48					10/21/2013	10/21/2020	Common Stock	66,666	
Option/right to buy	\$ 10.43					10/21/2012	10/21/2019	Common Stock	66,666	
Option/right to buy	\$ 6.8					10/21/2011	10/21/2018	Common Stock	66,668	
Option/right to buy	\$ 11.685					<u>(1)</u>	10/21/2014	Common Stock	200,000	
Option/right to buy	\$ 18.06					10/21/2008	10/21/2015	Common Stock	70,000	
Option/right to buy	\$ 21.82					10/21/2009	10/21/2016	Common Stock	66,666	
Option/right to buy	\$ 29					10/21/2010	10/21/2017	Common Stock	66,668	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FARAHI JOHN MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC 1175 MOANA LANE SUITE 200 RENO, NV 89509	X	X	CEO	

Signatures

John Farahi 10/29/2010

**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).

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On October 21, 2004, Mr. Farahi was granted an option pursuant to the Company's 1993 Executive Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended, to purchase 200,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$11.685 per share. The shares' vesting schedule is as follows: 66,666 vested on October 21, 2005; 66,666 vested on October 21, 2006 and 66,668 vested on October 21, 2007.

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