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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] BERGAMO ANTHONY (Last) (First) (Middl 209 HAVEMEYER STREET	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES</u> <u>INC</u> [DCOM] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2009	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
(Street) BROOKLYN NY 1121 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 				

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and tr. 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)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	05/06/2009	05/06/2009	Р		10,000	A	\$8.61	113,763	D	
Common Stock								1,000	Ι	Restricted Stock Awards
Restricted Stock Award								1,799	Ι	Restricted Stock Award

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. Transa Code (8)		ı of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$4.3							12/26/1997	12/26/2006	Common Stock	0		0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$6.45							12/26/1997	12/26/2006	Common Stock	0		0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$4.3							12/26/2001	12/26/2006	Common Stock	0		0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.91							11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	6,750		6,750	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.36							11/21/2002	11/21/2011	Common Stock	0		0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.16							02/01/2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	7,500		7,500	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.73							02/01/2004	02/01/2013	Common Stock	0		0	D	

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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.9							01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Stock	9,000		9,000	D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$29.85							01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Stock	0		0	D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.45							01/27/2006	01/31/2015	Common Stock	8,480		8,480	D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.74							05/01/2008	05/01/2017	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$18.18							05/30/2009	05/30/2018	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$8.34							05/01/2010	04/30/2019	Common Stock	8,868		8,868	D			

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ MICHAEL P. DEVINE,

<u>attorney-in-fact for Mr.</u>

Bergamo

05/21/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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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