FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	d Address of ETT LAN	Reporting Person*	<u>D</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC [DCOM]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issu (Check all applicable) Director 10% Own X Officer (give title Other (sp.					fy			
(Last) 209 HAV		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2013									Executive VP & General Counsel										
(Street) BROOKI	ROOKLYN NY 11211				- 4. li	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										G. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tabl	e I - 1	Non-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uritie	s A	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or B	Benefic	cial	ly Owne	ed					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an 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)			
								v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(iiisui 4)				
Restricted Stock Award 04/30/						13 04/3		/30/2013			3,214(1)	A	\$14.2	27	14,376				Restricte Stock Av		
Common	Stock	05/01/2	05/01/2013		05/01/2013		J		4,983(2)	A	\$13.9	91	24,8	397)					
Restricted Stock Award				05/01/2013		05/01/2013		J		4,983 ⁽²⁾	D	\$13.9	91 9,		93 I		I	Restricted Stock Award			
Common Stock													7,684		34		I		Plan		
Common Stock														1,246		I		Benefit Mainten Plan			
Common Stock															10,9	28		I	ESOP		
		Та	ble II								posed of, convertib				Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any		4. Transa Code 8)	action	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Da		rcisable and Date	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8 0 0	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securiti Benefici Owned Followir Reporte Transac (Instr. 4)	ive ies Form: cially Direct or Ind ng (I) (Insection(s)		Benet O) Owne	direct eficial ership	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares								

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Award\ shares\ vest\ in\ equal\ annual\ installments\ on\ May\ 1,\ 2014,\ 2015,\ 2016\ and\ 2017.$
- 2. Vesting of previously granted stock award shares.

/s/ LANCE BENNETT 05/02/2013

** 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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