FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CURTIN PATRICK E</u>				DI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES  INC [ DCOM ]									theck all	ship of Reporti applicable) rector fficer (give title		10% C		
(Last) 209 HAV	(i EMEYEF	•	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2013										below)		below)	
(Street) BROOK (City)			11211 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) <mark>X</mark> F F				
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Date					· · · · · I		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						I Sec Ben Owr	mount of urities eficially led Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code	v	Amount	(A (D	() or F	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Restricte	d Stock Av	vard		04/30/	2013		04/30/2013		A		3,153(1)		A	\$14.2	4.27 5,318			D	
Restricted Stock Award				05/01/	/2013		05/01/2013		J		2,165(2)		D :	\$13.9	91	3,153		D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transacti Date (Month/Day)			if any	emed 4. tion Date, Tr		ection Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amour or Numbe of		unt	8. Price perivativ Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		y Di	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Award fully vests on May 1, 2014.
- 2. Vesting of previously granted stock award shares.

/s/ Patrick E. Curtin

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

05/02/2013

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).
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