

Rodriguez Mari Evelyn
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Rodriguez Mari Evelyn

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ORIENTAL FINANCIAL GROUP
INC [OFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

03/19/2008

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

SVP & Strategic-Marketing Head

B-3 CALLE ARGENTINA, URB.
GARDENVILLE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date 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

GUAYNABO, PR 00966

(City) (State) (Zip)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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
Restricted shares of Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	03/19/2008		A		1,500	A	\$ 21.86
					1,500	D	

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

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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Qualified Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$ 21.86	03/19/2008		A	1,500	03/19/2010 ⁽³⁾ 03/19/2018	Common Stocks 1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rodriguez Mari Evelyn B-3 CALLE ARGENTINA URB. GARDENVILLE GUAYNABO, PR 00966			SVP & Strategic-Marketing Head	

Signatures

/s/ Mari E. Rodriguez
03/26/2008

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).
- (1) Awarded pursuant to the Company's 2007 Omnibus Performance Incentive Plan. Restrictions will expire on the third anniversary of the award date or earlier in the event of a change of control of the Company.
- (2) Awarded pursuant to the Company's 2007 Omnibus Performance Incentive Plan.
- (3) Will become exercisable at the rate of 25% per year commencing on the second anniversary of the award date.

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