

Pettingill Richard H.  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Pettingill Richard H.		(Month/Day/Year)	Howard Bancorp Inc [HBMD]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/15/2012	
6011 UNIVERSITY BLVD.,		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
SUITE 370				
(Street)		(Check all applicable)		
ELLICOTT		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
CITY,Â MDÂ 21043		<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	17,565	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Director stock options	12/31/2004	12/31/2014	Common Stock	405	\$ 10	D	Â
Director stock options	04/13/2005	04/13/2015	Common Stock	270	\$ 10.25	D	Â
Director stock options	07/13/2005	07/13/2015	Common Stock	380	\$ 10.25	D	Â
Director stock options	10/12/2005	10/12/2015	Common Stock	460	\$ 10.5	D	Â
Director stock options	12/27/2005	12/27/2015	Common Stock	400	\$ 11	D	Â
Director stock options	04/12/2006	04/12/2016	Common Stock	310	\$ 11	D	Â
Director stock options	07/12/2006	07/12/2016	Common Stock	530	\$ 11	D	Â
Director stock options	10/11/2006	10/11/2016	Common Stock	430	\$ 13.25	D	Â
Director stock options	01/10/2007	01/10/2017	Common Stock	570	\$ 13.99	D	Â
Director stock options	04/11/2007	04/11/2017	Common Stock	510	\$ 14	D	Â
Director stock options	07/11/2007	07/11/2017	Common Stock	390	\$ 14.25	D	Â
Director stock options	10/09/2007	10/09/2017	Common Stock	370	\$ 12.5	D	Â
Director stock options	01/15/2008	01/15/2018	Common Stock	200	\$ 11	D	Â
Director stock options	04/15/2008	04/15/2018	Common Stock	460	\$ 11	D	Â
Director stock options	07/15/2008	07/15/2018	Common Stock	160	\$ 11.5	D	Â
Warrants to purchase common stock	12/15/2005	08/09/2014	Common Stock	2,574	\$ 10	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pettingill Richard H. 6011 UNIVERSITY BLVD., SUITE 370	Â X	Â	Â	Â

ELLCOTT CITY, MD 21043

## Signatures

/s/ George Coffman, Attorney in Fact for Richard H.  
Pettingill

05/24/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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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