

VERISSIMO MARC J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VERISSIMO MARC J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SVB FINANCIAL GROUP [SIVB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3003 TASMAN DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/31/2006

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Chief Strategy Officer / Chief Strategy Officer

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/31/2006 | | M | | 11,000 | A | \$ 8.25 |
| Common Stock | 01/31/2006 | | S | | 11,000 | D | \$ 49.268 |
| Common Stock | | | | | 11,544 | I | |

By self in 401k/ESOP

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

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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. 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 8.25 | 01/31/2006 | | M | 11,000 | 01/07/1998 01/07/2007 | Common Stock 11,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| VERISSIMO MARC J 3003 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 | | | Chief Strategy Officer | Chief Strategy Officer |

Signatures

By: Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact For: Marc J. Verissimo
Date: 02/01/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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