VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP Form 10-Q/A May 10, 2006

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES A	AND EXCHANGE COMMISSIO	N
	Washington, DC 20549	
	FORM 10-Q/A	
	(Amendment No. 1)	
Mark One)		
Quarterly Report Pursuant to Secti For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2006	ion 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 193	34
	OR	
For the transition period from to	Commission File Number 1-11277	
VALLEY	NATIONAL BANCORP	
(Exac	ct name of registrant as specified in its charter)	
New Jersey (State or other jurisdiction of	22-2477875 (I.R.S. Employer	
Incorporation or Organization)	Identification Number)
1455 Valley Road		
Wayne NI	07470	

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(Address of principal executive office)

(Zip code)

973-305-8800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (check one):

Large Accelerated Filer x Accelerated Filer " Non-accelerated Filer "

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes "No x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock (no par value), of which 111,321,355 shares were outstanding as of May 8, 2006.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 1 to Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2006 is being filed solely to correct a typographical error on the cover page and in Item 4 of Part I of the Form 10-Q filed by the registrant on May 9, 2006.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Valley s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, with the assistance of other members of Valley s management, have evaluated the effectiveness of Valley s disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based on such evaluation, Valley s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that Valley s disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Valley s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have also concluded that there have not been any changes in Valley s internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2006 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, Valley s internal control over financial reporting.

Valley s management, including the CEO and CFO, does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal controls will prevent all error and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, provides reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. The design of a control system reflects resource constraints and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because there are inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within Valley have been or will be detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty and that breakdowns occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the control. The design of any system of controls is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events. There can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all future conditions; over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

(Registrant)

Date: May 10, 2006 /s/ GERALD H. LIPKIN

Gerald H. Lipkin

Chairman of the Board, President and

Chief Executive Officer

Date: May 10, 2006 /s/ ALAN D. ESKOW

Alan D. Eskow

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBITS INDEX

Exhibit	
Number	Exhibit Description
(31.1)	Certification pursuant to Securities Exchange Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) signed by Gerald H. Lipkin, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.
(31.2)	Certification pursuant to Securities Exchange Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) signed by Alan D. Eskow, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company.
(32)	Certification, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, signed by Gerald H. Lipkin, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company and Alan D. Eskow, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company.