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December 27, 2007 **OMB APPROVAL** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HALE EDWIN F SR Issuer Symbol FIRST MARINER BANCORP (Check all applicable)

_X__ 10% Owner (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction __X__ Director __ Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title _ (Month/Day/Year) below) 1501 SOUTH CLINTON STREET 12/26/2007 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CEO

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(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------|------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4 | sposed | of (D) | 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) |
| COMMON STOCK | 12/26/2007 | | P | 10,000 | A | \$ 5.25 | 1,192,316 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | | | | | | | 25 | I | By Daughter |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | int of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Title | Or | | |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | | - | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|---|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | | Other |

Relationships

HALE EDWIN F SR

1501 SOUTH CLINTON STREET X X CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CEO

BALTIMORE, MD 21224

Signatures

By: /s/ EDWIN F. 12/27/2007 HALE, SR.

**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).

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