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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TABAKIN SCOTT M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES INC [PRAA]

(Month/Day/Year)

08/01/2006

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

120 CORPORATE BLVD, SUITE

(Street)

100

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NORFOLK, VA 23502

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Following

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

08/01/2006

Code V Amount (D) $A^{(1)}$ 1,000

Α

\$0 4,000

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative	of Expiration Days of (Month/Days Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Amou Under Securi	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				4, and 5)	Date	Expiration		Amount		
			Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TABAKIN SCOTT M 120 CORPORATE BLVD SUITE 100 NORFOLK, VA 23502	X						

Signatures

/s/ Scott M.
Tabakin 08/01/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Restricted Stock Shares vest 20% per year. The first 20% of restricted stock shares will vest on August 1, 2007.

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