ROSSETTI RONALD L

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROSSETTI RONALD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol TIER TECHNOLOGIES INC

[TIER]

01/27/2009

(Check all applicable)

CEO, Chairman of the Board

10% Owner

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Middle)

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

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

10780 PARKRIDGE BLVD, 4TH

(Street)

(First)

FLOOR

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 4)

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

RESTON, VA 20191

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date** Conversion

7. Title and An

Underlying Sec

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance Shares	\$ 0	01/27/2009		A	150,000		12/04/2011(1)	12/04/2011	Restricted Stock Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROSSETTI RONALD L 10780 PARKRIDGE BLVD 4TH FLOOR

X CEO, Chairman of the Board

RESTON, VA 20191

Signatures

By: /s/ John Guszak For: Ronald L. 01/28/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Tier common stock. The Restricted Stock Unit is earned upon Tier's common stock achieving a market price of \$8 per share and maintaining that price for 60 consecutive days and have a three year cliff vesting.

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