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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

obligations may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TESE VINCENT				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MACK CALI REALTY CORP [CLI]						_x_ D	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner						
	*		ORATION, 343	3. Da 01/0		Earliest Tr. 009	ansa	ction (Mo	onth/Da	y/Year)		O	fficer (give title	below)	Other (s	pecify below)	
EDISON	, NJ 08837	(Street)		4. If	Ame	ndment, Da	te O	riginal Fil	led(Mont	h/Day/Yea	ır)	X Forn	n filed by One	int/Group F Reporting Person than One Report	lling(Check Appli on orting Person	cable Line)	
(Cit	y)	(State)	(Zip)				T	able I - N	on-Dei	ivative S	Securities A	Acquired, Di	isposed of,	or Beneficia	ally Owned		
1.Title of S (Instr. 3)	ecurity		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y	ear) Ex	xecut	emed ion Date, if n/Day/Year)	Co (In	Transaction de str. 8)	(4		ies Acquire sposed of (I 4 and 5)		Following I	rities Benefi Reported	C F	orm: Indirect (7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)
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			Table					th co Acquired	nis fori urrenti I, Dispo	m are n ly valid sed of, o	ot require OMB con	ed to respon trol numbe ally Owned	nd unless		contained in lisplays a	SEC 1	474 (9-02)
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code	etion 3)	5. Number Derivative Securities Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	A) d of	Date (Month/l			Expiration	7. Title and of Underlyi Securities (Instr. 3 and	ng 1 4)		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (D or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ible	Expira	ation Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(mstr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Phantom		01/06/2009		A		750.427				0 00/04	8/1988 <mark>(3)</mark>	Common	750.427	\$ 23.28	10,989.281	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TESE VINCENT C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION 343 THORNALL STREET EDISON, NJ 08837	X						

Signatures

/s/ Vincent Tese	01/08/2009
**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) The phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- The number of phantom stock units awarded is comprised of a quarterly director's fee earned and a quarterly dividend credited on cumulative phantom stock units under the Mack-Cali Realty (2) The number of phantom stock that Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors.
- (3) The phantom stock units were accrued under the Mack-Cali Realty Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and are to be settled 100% in Mack-Cali Realty Corporation common stock upon the termination of the reporting person's service on the Board of Directors of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation or upon a change in control of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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