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Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Eltjes Scott D Symbol WEST BANCORPORATION INC (Check all applicable) [WTBA] 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2008 CEO of Subsidiary 226 TURNBERRY DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line)

NORWALK, IAÂ US 50211

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

X Form Filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price

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

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

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	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9.
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration Date	Amount of	Derivative	of
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)	Underlying	Security	D
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Se

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Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of

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Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Eltjes Scott D 226 TURNBERRY DRIVE NORWALK. IA US 50211	Â	Â	Â	CEO of Subsidiary		

Signatures

Scott D. Eltjes 02/13/2009

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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