

ACCREDITED HOME LENDERS HOLDING CO

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LYDON JOSEPH JOHN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ACCREDITED HOME LENDERS HOLDING CO [LEND]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

15253 AVENUE OF SCIENCE,  
BLDG. 1

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/12/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & COO

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92128

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

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 Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price
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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)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu (Inst	
			Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(1)	10/12/2007	D		46,758	(1) (1)	Common Stock	46,758

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LYDON JOSEPH JOHN 15253 AVENUE OF SCIENCE, BLDG. 1 SAN DIEGO, CA 92128	X		President & COO	

## Signatures

By: David E. Hertz, Attorney-in-Fact For: Joseph John Lydon  
 10/16/2007  
 \*\*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) These phantom shares, granted under the Accredited Home Lenders Holding Co. Deferred Compensation Plan, amended and restated effective January 1, 2003, which were unvested as of October 12, 2007, were cancelled, pursuant to the Merger Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment equal to the product of (i) the number of phantom shares multiplied by (ii) \$11.75. Such cash payment will be deposited in the trust related to the Deferred Compensation Plan and the vesting and distribution of such cash amounts and any subsequent earnings thereon will be in accordance with the terms of such Deferred Compensation Plan and the related Company Stock-Based Award and the elections of participants therein.
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