UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP () Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b). 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Lorber, Howard M. c/o New Valley Corporation 100 S.E. Second Street, 32nd Floor Miami, FL 33131

USA 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc. LTS

- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year

August 31, 2002

- If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) September 6, 2002
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person $\,$
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 13. |4.Securities Acquired (A) |5.Amount of |6.Dir |7.Nature of Indirect |ect | Beneficial Ownership | Transaction | or Disposed of (D) | Securities - 1 Beneficially |(D)or | Owned at Indir | Date |Code|V| Price | End of Month |ect(I)| Amount | D | <S> <C> <C><C> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> Common Stock, par value \$.0|8/20/0|P | |3,300 |A |\$0.2407 ΙD 001 per share 12 Common Stock, par value \$.0|8/21/0|P | |1,900 |A |\$0.2708 001 per share |2 Common Stock, par value \$.0|8/22/0|P | |3,000 IA ISO.30 11.387.751 LD 001 per share 12 1 1 1 - 1 Common Stock, par value \$.0| 1118,560 ΙI | (1) 001 per share 1 Common Stock, par value \$.0| 1 1 15,067 ΙT $\pm (2)$ 001 per share

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Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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Explanation of Responses:

(1) These shares are held by Lorber Alpha II Partnership, a Nevada limited partnership. Lorber Alpha II, Inc., a Nevada corporation, is the general partner of Lorber Alpha II Partnership. Mr. Lorber is the director, officer and principal stockholder of Lorber Alpha II, Inc.

These shares are held by the Lorber Charitable Fund, a New York not-for-profit corporation. Mr. Lorber and family members serve as directors and executive officers of the Lorber Charitable Fund

CONFIRMING

STATEMENT

This Statement confirms that the undersigned has authorized and designated Victor M. Rivas, Salvatore Giardina or Joseph Giovanniello Jr. to execute and file on the undersigned's behalf all Forms 3, 4 and 5 (including any amendments thereto) that the undersigned may be required to file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission as a result of the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc. The authority of Victor M. Rivas, Salvatore Giardina and Joseph Giovanniello Jr. under this Statement shall continue until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 or 5 with regard to the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services Inc. unless earlier revoked in writing. The undersigned acknowledges that Victor M. Rivas, Salvatore

Giardina and Joseph Giovanniello Jr. are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
/s/ Howard M.
Lorber
Howard M.
Lorber
Dated: August 15,
2002
SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ Howard M. Lorber
DATE

September 6, 2002