

GARTNER INC  
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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**LAFOND CHRISTOPHER**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**56 TOP GALLANT ROAD, P.O. BOX 10212**  
  
(Street)

**STAMFORD, CT 06904-2212**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**GARTNER INC [IT]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/15/2006**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**CFO & EVP**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)			
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 14.44	03/15/2006	A		144,000		05/15/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2013	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0.0005	03/15/2006	J	V	48,000 <sup>(2)</sup>		<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAFOND CHRISTOPHER 56 TOP GALLANT ROAD P.O. BOX 10212 STAMFORD, CT 06904-2212			CFO & EVP	

## Signatures

/s/ Kevin Feeney for Christopher Lafond  
03/17/2006

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\*\*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 option becomes exercisable in four substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of vesting, 5/15/06. The RSUs vest in four equal annual installments, beginning on May 15, 2007. The actual number of RSUs granted depends upon the achievement of certain targets set by the Compensation Committee for Gartner's 2006 Total Sales Bookings for its Research segment.
- (2) The actual number of RSUs may be between 0% and 200% of the target number depending on whether and the extent to which the targets are achieved.

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