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(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Ch	eck an applicabl			
				th/Day/Year)X_ Director 8/2004Officer (give below)			e title Other (specify below)				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-De	erivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	l	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	Transaction A Code I	Disposed of Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)	1	
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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	11/18/2004		А	116.8	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	116.8	\$ 42

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Nan	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GONZALEZ CLAUDIO X JOSE LUIS LAGRANGE N COLONIA LOS MORALES MEXICO, D.F., O5 11510	Х					
Signatures						
/s/ Claudio X. Gonzalez	11/22/2004					
**Signature of Reporting	Date					

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- * 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 Deferred Stock Units convert to shares of Common Stock on a one-for-one basis following a termination of service as described in The Home Depot, Inc. NonEmployee Directors' Deferred Stock Compensation Plan.

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