MERKEL STEPHEN M

Form 4

Class A Common

Stock, par

value \$0.01

per share Class A

Common

February 04, 2010

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| (Print or Type Responses) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person MERKEL STEPHEN M | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BGC Partners, Inc. [BGCP] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middl | le) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | | | | | | | | |
| C/O BGC PARTNERS, INC., 49 PARK AVENUE | (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, GC and Secretary | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK, NY 10022 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A | equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | |
| (Instr. 3) ar | xecution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or y Code Disposed of (D) Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported | | | | | | | | | |
| Class A | (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | | | | | | |
| Common Stock, par 02/03/2010 value \$0.01 per share | G 1,000 D \$0 | 8,872 D | | | | | | | | | |

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Footnote 1

Footnote 2

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6,647

2,250

Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(2)

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. Transactio | 5. orNumber | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D | | 7. Title a | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (i.ional, Day, Teal) | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | Underlyi Securitie (Instr. 3 a | ing es | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | or Title Nu of | umber | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MERKEL STEPHEN M C/O BGC PARTNERS, INC. 499 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

EVP, GC and Secretary

Signatures

/s/ Stephen M. 02/04/2010 Merkel

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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) Held in Mr. Merkel's 401(k) account
- (2) Owned by Mr. Merkel's spouse

Reporting Owners 2

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