KELLY ARTHUR L

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KELLY ARTHUR L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2004

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

SUITE 2222, 20 SOUTH CLARK STREET

(Street)

(First)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CHICAGO, IL 60603

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Price of (Inst Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date Number of Shares Phantom Common Stock \$ 0 (1) 12/31/2004 Α 23.522 (2) (2) 23.522 Stock Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KELLY ARTHUR L
SUITE 2222
20 SOUTH CLARK STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60603

Signatures

/s/ James H. Becht, Secretary, Deere & Company, As Power of Attorney

01/03/2005

**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 security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The phantom stock units were accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Director Deferred Compensation Plan and are to be settled solely in cash beginning in the calendar year following the reporting person's retirement from the Issuer's Board.
- The reported holdings of phantom stock units include units acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions that are exempt from line-item (3) reporting. As of the transaction date, the reporting person directly beneficially owned 11,082 \$1 par common shares of the Issuer and indirectly beneficially owned 4,200 \$1 par common shares of the Issuer through an estate trust.

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