

GALLAGHER J PATRICK JR
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GALLAGHER J PATRICK JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO [AJG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., TWO PIERCE PLACE

(Street)

ITASCA, IL 60143

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/11/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2005 | | S | | 18,456 D \$ 27.4182 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2005 | | M | | 4,000 A \$ 8.59 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2005 | | M | | 4,000 A \$ 7.97 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2005 | | M | | 4,000 A \$ 9.25 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2005 | | S | | 10,000 D \$ 27.4182 | D | |

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|---------------------------|---------|---|-------------------------|
| Common Stock | 150,000 | I | by Corporation |
| Common Stock | 100,879 | I | by Spouse |
| Common Stock | 165,650 | I | by Trust ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Stock | 71,820 | I | by Trust 2 |
| Common Stock (restricted) | 27,740 | D | |

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 (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 7.97 | 05/11/2005 | | M | 4,000 | ⁽²⁾ 07/17/2006 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 8.59 | 05/11/2005 | | M | 4,000 | ⁽²⁾ 06/11/2005 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.25 | 05/11/2005 | | M | 4,000 | ⁽²⁾ 08/30/2008 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 18.5 | | | | | ⁽²⁾ 06/20/2010 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified | \$ 22.7 | | | | | ⁽²⁾ 07/21/2012 | Common |

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|---|----------|--|---------------------------|------------|--|-----------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | | | | | | Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 24.9 | | 01/01/2004 ⁽²⁾ | 07/16/2013 | | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 26.5 | | <u>(2)</u> | 07/19/2011 | | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 29.42 | | <u>(2)</u> | 07/21/2014 | | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 33.28 | | 01/01/2005 ⁽²⁾ | 03/31/2014 | | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GALLAGHER J PATRICK JR ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143 | X | | President & CEO | |

Signatures

By: John C. Rosengren For: J. Patrick
Gallagher, Jr. 05/13/2005

__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) Held in trust for benefit of minor children.
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable 10% each year, commencing January 1 after the date of grant.

Remarks:

The directly owned common stock holdings reflected in Table I of this form include shares purchased through Arthur J. Gallagher, Jr.

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