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(M			 B. Date of Earliest Transaction Month/Day/Year) D3/01/2005 				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) V P and General Counsel			
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(City)	(State) (A	Zip)	Table I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ities Aco	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Dat any (Month/Day/Y	on Date, if Transaction(A) or Dispose Code (D)		d of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
			Codo V	Amount	or (D)	Drice	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/01/2005		M	4,896	(D) A	Price \$ 3.19	21,763	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2005		S	4,896	D	\$ 5.71	16,867	D		
401K Common Stock (1)							2,130	I	By 401(k) Plan	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number prof 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.19	03/01/2005		М	4,896	04/15/2001	02/09/2006	Common Stock	4,896

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
POTTER RONALD C 1401 ENCLAVE PARKWAY SUITE 600 HOUSTON, TX 77077			V P and General Counsel		
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Signatures

**Signature of

Reporting Person

Ronald C Potter 03/02/2005

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) 401K Shares owned as of 12-31-2004 Plan Statement

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