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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 *
ELTER JOHN F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PLUG POWER INC., 968
ALBANY-SHAKER ROAD

(Street)

LATHAM, NY 12110

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PLUG POWER INC [PLUG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/01/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Chief Technology Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 (D) Price | | |
| Plug Power Inc. Common Stock | 02/01/2006 | | A | | 6,050 (1) \$ 5.58 | A | 34,153 D |
| Plug Power Inc. Common Stock | 02/01/2006 | | A | | 10,000 (2) \$ 5.58 | A | 44,153 D |

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options | \$ 5.58 | 02/01/2006 | | A | 20,000 | <u>(3)</u> 02/01/2016 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ELTER JOHN F PLUG POWER INC. 968 ALBANY-SHAKER ROAD LATHAM, NY 12110 | | | Chief Technology Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ John F. Elter 02/10/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Common stock granted pursuant to a 2005 incentive compensation award.

(2) Restricted common stock granted pursuant to a 2005 incentive compensation award. One-third (or 33.3%) of these restricted shares shall vest on February 1, 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

(3) Stock options granted pursuant to the Plug Power 1999 Stock Option Plan. Such stock options shall vest and become exercisable as follows: 6,666 shares become exercisable on February 1, 2007; 6,667 shares become exercisable on February 1, 2008; 6,667 become exercisable on February 1, 2009.

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