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CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP Form 4 February 27, 2006 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Cordes James D Issuer Symbol **CROWN CASTLE** (Check all applicable) **INTERNATIONAL CORP** [CCI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 510 BERING DRIVE, SUITE 600 02/23/2006 Sr. VP - Corp. Dvlpmt. & Strat (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSON, TX 77057 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock. 27,100 52,100 02/23/2006 Α \$0 D Α \$0.01 par (1)value Common Stock, 16,938 02/23/2006 A \$0 69.038 D A (2) \$0.01 par value

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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. 6. Date Exercisable and onNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	7. Title : Amount Underly Securitic (Instr. 3	t of ying ies	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Cordes James D 510 BERING DRIVE SUITE 600 HOUSON, TX 77057			Sr. VP - Corp. Dvlpmt. & Strat				
Signatures							

/s/ James D. 02/27/2006 Cordes **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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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).

The stock is restricted stock issued pursuant to the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. If the Company's common stock ("Common Stock") closes at or above per share prices equal to \$35.52, \$40.85 or \$46.98 for any 20 consecutive trading days which include dates on or before February 23, 2010 (the fourth anniversary of the grant date), 33% of the restricted stock performance vests (i.e., the transfer and

- (1) forfeiture restrictions terminate) upon reaching each such price target. In addition, any remaining unvested restricted stock vests on February 23, 2010 if the Common Stock closes at or above \$37.07 per share for any 20 consecutive trading days which include dates on or before February 23, 2010. Any shares of restricted stock that have not otherwise vested as set forth in the preceding two sentences will be forfeited as of February 23, 2010.
- (2) The stock is restricted stock issued pursuant to the Company's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. Such restricted stock will vest on February 23, 2009 (the third anniversary of the date of grant) if the Common Stock closes at or above \$42.50 per share for any 20 consecutive trading days which include dates on or between September 22, 2008 and February 23, 2009. Any shares of such restricted stock that have not otherwise vested as set forth in the preceding sentence will be forfeited as of February 23, 2009. The terms of such restricted stock also

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provide that the vesting will not be accelerated pursuant to the reporting person's severance agreement upon a qualifying termination of employment that does not occur during a change in control period, but instead will be forfeited in the event of such a termination.

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