

INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

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 *
Mergenthaler Frank

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. [IPG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 19TH FLOOR
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Exec. VP & CFO

NEW YORK, NY 10036

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/01/2005		A	50,433 A \$ 12.39	50,433 ⁽¹⁾	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)

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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. 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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.39	08/01/2005		A	201,775	(2)		08/01/2015		Common Stock	201,775

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mergenthaler Frank 1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS 19TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036			Exec. VP & CFO	

Signatures

/s/Marjorie M. Hoey POA for Frank Mergenthaler
 08/03/2005
 **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) Shares will be fully vested 3 years from date of grant on 08/01/2008.
 The option vests as follows: (i) 33% of the total number of shares underlying the options vests on August 1, 2007; (ii) 33% of the total number of shares underlying the options vests on August 1, 2008 and (iii) 34% of the total number of shares underlying the options vests on August 1, 2009.

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