

BUFFETT WARREN E  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
BUFFETT WARREN E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COCA COLA CO [KO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1440 KIEWIT PLAZA  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/15/2004

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

OMAHA, NE 68131  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock, \$.25 par value   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 200,000,000   | I  | See Notes (1) (2)                 |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Phantom Stock Units                        | (3)  | 12/15/2004                           |  | A                              | 877.8958  | (4) (4)  | Common Stock, \$.25 par value                                 | 877.8958                   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                           | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BUFFETT WARREN E<br>1440 KIEWIT PLAZA<br>OMAHA, NE 68131 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

Warren E. Buffett 12/16/2004

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) The stock is owned directly by the following subsidiaries of Berkshire Hathaway Inc.: National Indemnity Company (137,187,200 shares); National Fire and Marine Insurance Company (7,495,200 shares); Columbia Insurance Company (40,141,600 shares); Cypress Insurance Company (912,000 shares); National Liability & Fire Insurance Company (1,776,000 shares); Wesco-Financial Insurance Company (7,205,600 shares); Oak River Insurance Company (720,000 shares); National Indemnity Company of the South (1,002,400 shares); National Indemnity Company of Mid-America (1,036,000 shares); Redwood Fire & Casualty Insurance Company (1,644,000 shares); Nebraska Furniture Mart (480,000 shares); and Central States Indemnity Co. of Omaha (400,000 shares).
  - (2) Mr. Buffett is the Chairman of the Board of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and may be deemed to control Berkshire Hathaway Inc. and its subsidiaries. Mr. Buffett disclaims "beneficial ownership," for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, of shares owned by Berkshire Hathaway Inc. or its subsidiaries.
  - (3) Each Phantom Stock Unit is economically equivalent to one share of Common Stock.
  - (4) The Phantom Stock Units were accrued under The Coca-Cola Company Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors and are to be settled 100% in cash after the reporting person leaves the Board.
  - (5) Includes 121.0540 Phantom Stock Units accrued as a result of crediting phantom dividends.

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