REED JOHN S Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **REED JOHN S**

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALTRIA GROUP INC [MO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

120 PARK AVENUE

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2005

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

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

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

D

Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

Security

(Instr. 3)

Code V Amount (D) Price 61,575 (1)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code Derivative (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ve (Month/Day es d	, ,		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	12/14/2005		A	115 (3)	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	115	\$ 74.21 (5)

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

REED JOHN S
120 PARK AVENUE X
NEW YORK, NY 10017

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Signatures

1. Title of 2.

G. Penn Holsenbeck for John S.

Reed 12/16/2005

**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) Includes 4,227 deferred shares held in the 2005 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors and 34,688 shares in a self-directed Keogh/IRA account.
- (2) Phantom Stock Units convert to common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (3) These units were acquired on December 14, 2005 pursuant to the deferred fee program of the Altria 1992 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (4) These units are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's termination as a member of the issuer's board of directors.
- (5) The average of the high and low price of Altria Group, Inc. common stock on December 14, 2005.
- Share equivalents held under the deferred fee program of the Altria 1992 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. This includes (6) an increase of 115 share equivalents acquired under the deferred fee program since November 7, 2005, the date holdings were last

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