

MICROSTRATEGY INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
RICKERTSEN CARL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MICROSTRATEGY  
INCORPORATED, 1861  
INTERNATIONAL DRIVE

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MICROSTRATEGY INC [MSTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/13/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |   |   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 11/13/2006                           |  | M                              | 2,000   | A   | \$ 7.62  | 2,000   | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 11/13/2006                           |  | S                              | 119   | D   | \$ 126.44  | 1,881 <sup>(1)</sup>                                  | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 11/13/2006                           |  | S                              | 100   | D   | \$ 126.45  | 1,781   | D |
| Class A Common Stock            | 11/13/2006                           |  | S                              | 99  | D   | \$   | 1,682   | D |

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|                      |            |   |     |   |           |        |  |   |
|----------------------|------------|---|-----|---|-----------|--------|--|---|
| Common Stock         |            |   |     |   |           | 126.46 |  |   |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 500 | D | \$ 126.5  | 1,182  |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 126.52 | 982    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 126.54 | 882    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 126.55 | 682    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 126.56 | 482    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 99  | D | \$ 126.57 | 383    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 50  | D | \$ 126.58 | 333    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 126.6  | 233    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 126.65 | 133    |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 126.66 | 33     |  | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/13/2006 | S | 33  | D | \$ 126.71 | 0      |  | 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) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Director Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 7.62  | 11/13/2006                           |  | M                              | 2,000   | (2) 10/07/2012   | Class A Common Stock  | 2,000 Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RICKERTSEN CARL J<br>C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED<br>1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE<br>MCLEAN, VA 22102 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Carl John Rickertsen  
11/15/2006  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Separate open market sale transactions that were executed on 11/13/2006 at the same price have been reported on an aggregate basis on a single line in Table I. The order in which sale transactions are set forth in Table I is not necessarily reflective of the sequence in which the sale transactions occurred in fact.
- (1) The 2,000 shares exercised on 11/13/2006 pursuant to this stock option vested on 10/07/2006. The remaining 2,000 shares subject to the stock option vest on 10/07/2007.
  - (2) See Exhibit A.

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