

GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 KAPLAN JAROSLAV

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE GOODYEAR TIRE &  
 RUBBER COMPANY, 1144 EAST  
 MARKET STREET

(Street)

AKRON, OH 44316-0001

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO /OH/ [GT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/11/2005

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)  
 President, EEA&ME Region

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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**

| 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                    | 03/11/2005                           |  | A                              |   | 2,689<br><u>(1)</u>   | A  | \$<br>14.63<br><u>(2)</u>         |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,689   | 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)

| 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| 1997 Plan Performance Units <sup>(3)</sup> | <u>(2)</u>   | 03/11/2005                           |  | A                              | 9,000   | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>                                    | Common Stock  | 4,500                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| KAPLAN JAROSLAV<br>THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY<br>1144 EAST MARKET STREET<br>AKRON, OH 44316-0001 |               |           | President,<br>EEA&ME<br>Region |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Bertram Bell, signing as an attorney-in-fact and agent duly authorized to execute this Form 4 on behalf of Jaroslav Kaplan pursuant to a Power of Attorney dated 10/3/02, a copy of which has been previously filed with the SEC. 03/15/2005

\_\_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 awarded to the reporting person on 3/11/05 pursuant to Performance Units granted on 12/3/01 under the 1997 Performance Incentive Plan (the "1997 Plan").
- (2) In accordance with the terms of the 12/3/01 grant, the reporting person was granted up to 9,000 Units (150% of the base number of Units). The reporting person was awarded on 3/11/05 89.64% of the base number of Units granted, paid in March 2005 as follows: the payment of 50% of the Units awarded was paid in one (1) share of Common Stock per Unit and payment of 50% of the Units awarded was paid in cash at \$14.63 per Unit, the fair market value of the Common Stock on 12/31/04.
- (3) Performance Units granted on 12/3/01 under the 1997 Plan.

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