PALM GREGORY K

Form 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Symbol

(Check all applicable)

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/ [GS]

01/05/2006

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

Executive VP - General Counsel

C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS &

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

CO., 85 BROAD STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK,, NY 10004

	(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
,	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature o Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

(D) Price Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Stock, par value

01/05/2006 24,384 Α (1) 1,109,550 D

Code V

\$0.01 per share

Common

value 01/05/2006

Amount

D

Stock, par

\$0.01 per

F

11,303 D

1,098,247

share

of

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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)	Code	TransactionDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 D S (I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/05/2006		M	V		9,191	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	9,191	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/05/2006		M	V		15,193	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	15,193	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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PALM GREGORY K C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK,, NY 10004

Executive VP - General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Roger S. Begelman, Attorney-in-fact 01/09/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) On January 5, 2006, shares of the Issuer's Common Stock underlying these Restricted Stock Units became deliverable, without the payment of any consideration, and were delivered to the Reporting Person.

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