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(Check all applicable)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Director                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) |

Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

7. 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 (mm/dd/yy)	2.A Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Price
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	
Common Stock							
Common Stock	10/02/02	10/07/02	P		29.983	A	\$74.31
Common Stock	To 06/30/02						
Common Stock	To 12/31/01						

\* If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3A. Execut ion Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8) ----- Code V	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ----- (A) (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ----- Date Expira- tion Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) ----- Amount or Number of Shares
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Explanation of Responses:  
(1) Held by the trustee of the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan, The Northern Trust Company.  
(2) Held by the trustee of the Company's 401(k) Plan, Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.  
(3) Held by the trustee of the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan, Wells Fargo Bank, Minnesota.

/s/Thomas L. Chapple	10/09/02
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedures.

Alternatively, this Form is permitted to be submitted to the Commission in electronic format at the option of the reporting person pursuant to rule 101(b)(4) of Regulation S-T.