

KESSLER JOHN W  
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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 \*  
KESSLER JOHN W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ABERCROMBIE & FITCH CO  
/DE/ [ANF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2007

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

THE NEW ALBANY  
COMPANY, 220 MARKET  
SQUARE, SUITE 200

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW ALBANY, OH 43054

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 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	02/23/2007		M	10,000	A	\$ 24.28	23,516	D
Class A Common Stock	02/23/2007		S	18,500	D	\$ 79.35	5,016	D
Class A Common Stock	02/23/2007		G	V 900	D	\$ 0	4,116	D

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Class A Common Stock	02/23/2007	M	8,500	A	\$ 24.31	13,516	D
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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Phantom Stock	(1)	02/23/2007		A	2,394	(2) (2)	Class A Common Stock	2,394
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/23/2007		M	2,394	(3) 08/21/2006	Class A Common Stock	2,394
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 24.28	02/23/2007		M	10,000	07/16/2002 07/16/2008	Class A Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 24.31	02/23/2007		M	8,500	(4) 11/15/2011	Class A Common Stock	8,500

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KESSLER JOHN W  
THE NEW ALBANY COMPANY  
220 MARKET SQUARE, SUITE 200  
NEW ALBANY, OH 43054

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## Signatures

By: Robert J. Tannous,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/27/2007

\_\_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) This award converts to common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (2) The shares of phantom stock become payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.
- (3) Restricted Stock Unit vests on the latter of (i) 8/21/06 or (ii) the first open window trading date following the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) Option vests 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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