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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,4 and 5)
			Code V (A)	
Option to Purchase	\$7.25	12/17/01	M	20

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7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
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Class A Common Stock	20,000	55,000	D	
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Explanation of Responses:

/s/ William R. Brooks

1/4/02

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line of each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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*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).

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