

Mergenthaler Frank  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Mergenthaler Frank

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC. [IPG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Exec VP & CFO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 19TH FLOOR  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/15/2006

NEW YORK, NY 10036

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

(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 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	06/15/2006		A	(A) Code V Amount (D) Price 28,885 (1) A \$ 8.655	79,318	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)**

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Table with 7 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Securities Acquired or Disposed, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities. Row 1: Stock Option (Right to Buy), \$ 8.655, 06/15/2006, A, 115,540, (2), 06/15/2016, Common Stock, 115,540.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Reporting Owner: Mergenthaler Frank, 1114 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 19TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10036. Relationships: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Note: Exec VP & CFO.

Signatures

/s/ Marjorie M. Hoey for Frank Mergenthaler, 06/16/2006. Legend: \*\*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) All shares are subject to forfeiture under certain circumstances.
The option vests as follows: (i) 33% of the total number of shares underlying the option vests on June 15, 2008; (ii) 33% of the total number of shares underlying the option vests on June 15, 2009 and (iii) 34% of the total number of shares underlying the option vests on June 15, 2010.

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