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FORTUNE BRANDS INC

Form 4

September 29, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HEIDRICH NADINE A

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/27/2005

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) VP and Corporate Controller

300 TOWER PARKWAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Indirect

(A)

Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock, Par Value \$3.125

3,224 D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 82.16	09/27/2005		A <u>(1)</u>	13,500		09/27/2006	09/27/2012	Common	13,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HEIDRICH NADINE A 300 TOWER PARKWAY LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

VP and Corporate Controller

Signatures

Mark A. Roche, Attorney-in-Fact for Nadine A. Heidrich

09/29/2005

**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) Reflects the grant of options, together with related limited rights and tax withholding features under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans. The options vest in three equal installments beginning September 27, 2006.

Remarks:

On September 27, 2005, Ms. Heidrich received a grant of options to purchase 13,500 shares of the issuer's common stock undo Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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