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| if no longer<br>subject to<br>Section 16. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP O<br>SECURITIES  |                      |  |         |               |  |  | ERSHIP OF   | Expires:<br>Estimated a<br>burden hour                                      | 2005<br>verage   |   |  |
| Form 4 or<br>Form 5<br>obligations<br>may continue.response0.5See Instruction<br>1(b).Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 19400.5 |                      |  |         |               |  |  |             |   |  |   |  |
| (Print or Type  | Responses)           |  |         |               |  |  |             |   |  |   |  |
|   | Address of Reporting |  |         |               |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |             |   |  |   |  |
|   |                      |  |         | [NEW]         |  | CIAL   |             | (Check all applicable)  |  |   |  |
| (Last)  | · · · ·              | (1   | Month/E | nth/Day/Year) |  |  |             | _X_ Director10% Owner<br>Officer (give titleOther (specify<br>below) below) |  |   |  |
| 18400 VON<br>1000   | N KARMAN, SU         | ITE 1  | 1/20/2  | 006           |  |  | U           | clow)   | below)   |   |  |
|   | Month/Day/Year)      |  |         |               | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |             |   |  |   |  |
| IRVINE,, C  | CA 92612             |  |         |               |  |  | Ē           | Form filed by Me<br>Person  | ore than One Re  | porting   |  |
| (City)  | (State)              | (Zip)  | Tabl    | le I - Non-l  | Derivative S   | ecurit   | ies Acqui   | red, Disposed of,   | or Beneficial  | ly Owned  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  |                      | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed<br>(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |         |               | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)   |  |             |   | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|   |                      |  |         | Code V        | Amount   | or<br>(D)  | Price       | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)   | (  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 11/20/2006           |  |         | М             | 36,975   | А  | \$ 6.65     | 1,100,521   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 11/20/2006           |  |         | М             | 28,325   | А  | \$<br>10.47 | 1,128,846   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 11/20/2006           |  |         | S <u>(1)</u>  | 65,300   | D  | \$<br>36.99 | 1,063,546   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 11/21/2006           |  |         | М             | 57,395   | А  | \$<br>10.47 | 1,120,941   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock   | 11/21/2006           |  |         | М             | 78,750   | А  | \$<br>18.66 | 1,199,691   | D  |   |  |

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| Common<br>Stock | 11/21/2006 | S <u>(1)</u> | 136,145 | D | \$<br>36.62 | 1,063,546 | D |                |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|---------|---|-------------|-----------|---|----------------|
| Common<br>Stock |            |              |         |   |             | 1,127     | Ι | By<br>daughter |
| Common<br>Stock |            |              |         |   |             | 1,127     | Ι | By son         |
| Common<br>Stock |            |              |         |   |             | 1,127     | Ι | By son (2)     |
| Common<br>Stock |            |              |         |   |             | 100,000   | Ι | By wife        |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. 5. Number of<br>Transactio-Derivative<br>Code Securities<br>(Instr. 8) Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                     | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                 | 8<br>]<br>(                         |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|-----|--|---------------------|---|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V   | (A) | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date  | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 6.65   | 11/20/2006                              |   | М  |     | 36,975   | (3)                 | 09/04/2011  | Common<br>Stock | 36,975                              |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 10.47  | 11/20/2006                              |   | М  |     | 28,325   | (5)                 | 02/27/2012  | Common<br>Stock | 28,325                              |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 10.47  | 11/21/2006                              |   | М  |     | 57,395   | (6)                 | 02/27/2012  | Common<br>Stock | 57,395                              |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 18.66  | 11/21/2006                              |   | М  |     | 78,750   | (7)                 | 01/21/2013  | Common<br>Stock | 78,750                              |  |

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## **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                                   | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |  |
| GOTSCHALL EDWARD F<br>18400 VON KARMAN, SUITE 1000<br>IRVINE,, CA 92612 | Х             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| Signatures  |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| Jennifer Jewett<br>(Attorney-in-Fact)                                   | 11/22/200     | 06        |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| **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 sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) Shares held by the reporting person's wife as custodian for the benefit of his son under the California Uniform Transfers to Minor Act.

This stock option grant vested 20% on September 4, 2002, the first anniversary of the grant date, with an additional 5% vesting on the last (3) day of each succeeding calendar quarter thereafter. The final 5% increment vested on the fifth anniversary of the grant date and the option is, therefore, currently exercisable.

(4) This column is not applicable.

(5) This stock option grant vested 20% on February 27, 2003, the first anniversary of the grant date, with an additional 5% vesting on the last day of each succeeding calendar quarter thereafter. The final 5% increment will vest on the fifth anniversary of the grant date. The portion of the option exercised by the reporting person on November 20, 2006 vested as follows: 7,944 shares on February 27, 2003, 5,625 shares on each of June 30, September 30 and December 31, 2003 and 3,506 shares on March 31, 2004.

This stock option grant vested 20% on February 27, 2003, the first anniversary of the grant date, with an additional 5% vesting on the last day of each succeeding calendar quarter thereafter. The final 5% increment will vest on the fifth anniversary of the grant date. The portion
(6) of the option exercised by the reporting person on November 21, 2006 vested as follows: 1,145 shares on March 31, 2004 and 5,625

shares on each of June 30, 2004, September 30, 2004, December 31, 2004, March 31, 2005, June 30, 2005, September 30, 2005, December 31, 2005, March 31, 2006, June 30, 2006 and September 30, 2006.

This stock option grant vested 20% on January 21, 2004, the first anniversary of the grant date, with an additional 5% vesting on the last day of each succeeding calendar quarter thereafter. The final 5% increment will vest on the fifth anniversary of the grant date. The portion

(7) of the option exercised by the reporting person on November 21, 2006 vested as follows: 22,500 shares on January 21, 2004 and 5,625 shares on each of June 30, 2004, September 30, 2004, December 31, 2004, March 31, 2005, June 30, 2005, September 30, 2005, December 31, 2005, March 31, 2006, June 30, 2006 and September 30, 2006.

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