

NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC
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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 *
COOK JOHN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC
 [NMGA/NMGB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP, INC., 1618 MAIN STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/06/2005

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

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75201

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price \$ | | |
| | | | | Code V | Amount | | |
| Common Stock, Class B ⁽¹⁾ | 10/26/2005 | 10/26/2005 | D | 2,500 D | 100 0 | | D |
| | | | | | <u>(1)</u> | | |

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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| 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Phantom Stock Units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 10/06/2005 | 10/06/2005 | D | | 3,029.05 | 11/21/1997 10/06/2005 | Class A Common Stock | 3,029. |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COOK JOHN R
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1618 MAIN STREET
DALLAS, TX 75201

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Signatures

Johon R. Cook 10/11/2005

 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) The Class A Common Stock reported herein represents shares disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement among The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc., Newton Acquisition, Inc. and Newton Acquisition Merger Sub, Inc. in exchange for a cash payment of \$100.00 per share. Stock units originally issued to the reporting person pursuant The Neiman Marucus Group, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for
- (2) Non-Employee Directors disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement among The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc., Newton Acquisition, Inc. and Newton Acquisition Merger Sub, Inc. in exchange for a cash payment of \$100.00 per share or unit, as applicable.

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