ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

Form 4 April 07, 2006

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Hutchings W Preston

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

WESSEX HOUSE, 4TH FLOOR, 45

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

REID STREET

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(State)

HAMILTON, D0 HM 12

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

[ACGL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/23/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

> (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP & Chief Investment Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Owned

Following

or

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 Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		3
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.34	03/23/2006		J	V		50,000	(2)	07/01/2015	Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	50,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 56.27	03/23/2006		J	V		6,000 (1)	(3)	03/23/2016	Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	6,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Keiationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

Hutchings W Preston WESSEX HOUSE, 4TH FLOOR **45 REID STREET** HAMILTON, D0 HM 12

SVP & Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

Person

/s/ W. Preston 04/06/2006 Hutchings **Signature of Reporting 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).
- The stock option was transferred to a company which is owned by a family trust; the beneficiaries of the family trust are the Reporting Person, his spouse and their minor children.
- (2) The stock option will become exercisable in three equal annual installments commencing on July 1, 2005.
- The stock option will become exercisable in three equal installments, with the first installment becoming exercisable on February 23, 2007 and the next two installments on February 23, 2008 and 2009.

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