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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ZALE CORP [ZLC] A Hollander Gilbert P (Month/Day/Year) 08/30/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O ZALE (Check all applicable) CORPORATION, 901 WEST WALNUT HILL LANE 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Group Senior Vice President _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person IRVING, TXÂ 75038-1033 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D)

Common Stock (1)

3,500

D Â

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

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or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 1)	Derivative	Security:	(111501. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	07/17/2003	07/17/2012	Common Stock	2,500 (2)	\$ 14.145	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	07/22/2004	07/22/2013	Common Stock	8,524 (3)	\$ 23.23	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	05/05/2007	05/05/2016	Common Stock	25,000 (4)	\$ 24.1	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	01/10/2006	01/10/2015	Common Stock	10,000 (5)	\$ 26.33	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	08/29/2007	08/29/2016	Common Stock	15,000 (6)	\$ 27.24	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	07/21/2005	07/21/2014	Common Stock	10,000 (7)	\$ 27.44	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	09/06/2006	09/06/2015	Common Stock	10,000 (8)	\$ 27.52	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Hollander Gilbert P C/O ZALE CORPORATION 901 WEST WALNUT HILL LANE IRVING Â TXÂ 75038-1033	Â	Â	Group Senior Vice President	Â	

Signatures

Gilbert P	09/21/200		
Hollander	08/31/200		
**Signature of	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Includes 1,500 time-vesting restricted stock units granted under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan that vest 100% on 9/6/2008. Also includes 2,000 time-vesting restricted stock units granted under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan that vest 100% on 8/31/2009. This does not include 1,500 performance-based restricted units granted to Mr. Hollander on 11/11/05, which entitle Mr. Hollander to receive a specified number of shares of the Company's common stock based on the Company's achievement of performance targets established by the Company's Compensation Committee for fiscal years 2006 through 2008, nor does it include 2,000 performance-based restricted units granted to Mr. Hollander on 8/29/06.
- (2) Represents a 5,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan and which began vesting in four equal annual installments on 7/17/03.

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Reporting Owners 2

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Represents a 10,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan and which began vesting in four equal annual installments on 7/22/04.

- (4) Represents a 25,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan and which begins vesting in four equal annual installments on 5/5/07.
- (5) Represents a 10,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan and which began vesting in four equal annual installments on 1/10/06.
- (6) Represents a 15,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan and which begins vesting in four equal annual installments on 8/29/07.
- (7) Represents a 10,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan and which began vesting in four equal annual installments on 7/21/05.
- (8) Represents a 10,000 share grant approved under the Zale Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan and which begins vesting in four equal annual installments on 9/6/06.

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