HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC

Form 4 July 19, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC

Symbol

[HOV]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

HOVNANIAN ARA K

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

See Instruction

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(Last) (First) 10 HIGHWAY 35		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/18/2005				_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO				
(Street)				Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
	RED BAN	IK 07701	j				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							ally Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) Class A Common Stock	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 07/18/2005	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Disposed (Instr. 3, 4) Amount 100,000	d of (E))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 1,630,420	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Class A Common Stock								1,505,000 (3)	I	Held as trustee of the KSH 2004 GRAT in which Reporting Person has

a potential

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			remainder interest
Class A Common Stock	236,346	I	Held by the Ara K. Hovnanian 2004 GRAT (4)
Class A Common Stock	33,060	I	Held by estate of son Alton
Class A Common Stock	13,974	I	Held by son Alexander
Class A Common Stock	6,700	I	Held by daughter Serena
Class A Common Stock	16,700	I	Held 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 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)			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 o Number o Shares
Option to purchase Class A Common Stock	\$ 2.9063	07/18/2005		M		100,000	<u>(1)</u>	07/19/2005	Class A Common Stock	100,000

(9-02)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOVNANIAN ARA K
10 HIGHWAY 35 X X President and CEO
RED BANK 07701

Signatures

Anthony J.

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**Signature of Reporting Person

O7/18/2005

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 option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on July 20, 1996.
- (2) N/A
 - The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the
- (3) inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (4) Held by the Ara K. Hovnanian 2004 GRAT of which the reporting person is trustee and the principal beneficiary.

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