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(Print or Type I	Responses)										
BAIO JAMES R Sy			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC [BEN]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	KLIN RESOUR FRANKLIN	(Middle) CES,	3. Date of (Month/D 12/15/2	•	ransaction			Director X Officer (give below) SVP & Chi			
				f Amendment, Date Original ed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
SAN MATE	EO, CA 9440319	906						Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Execution any		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	12/15/2004			S	4,000	D	\$ 68.11	22,462.2878 (1)	D		

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Unde Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BAIO JAMES R C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC. ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY SAN MATEO, CA 944031906			SVP & Chief Financial Officer				

Signatures

/s/ BAIO, JAMES R. 12/17/2004

<u>**</u>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) Of the amount of securities beneficially owned, 9,752 shares represent unvested awards of restricted stock shares.

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