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(Print or Type	Responses)									
	Address of Reporting	g Person [*]		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to		
BARTOLA	ACCI JOSEPH C		Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]				Issuer			
							(Check all applicable)			
			CORP	[MATW]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		of Earliest T	ransaction		X Director X Officer (gi		% Owner her (specify	
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	e 2A. Deem	ed	3.	4. Securiti	ies	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
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Reminder: Re	port on a separate lin	e for each cl	lass of sec	urities benef	ficially own	ned directly o	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration	7. Title and Amo
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Date	Underlying Secur
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	-		·				
				Code '	V (A) (1	D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Employee Stock Option	\$ 37.29	11/16/2005		А	80,0	00		11/16/2008(1)	11/16/2015 <u>(2)</u>	Class A Common Stock	80

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
I O	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BARTOLACCI JOSEPH C							
	Х		President and COO				

Signatures

Joseph C. Bartolacci	11/17/2005
<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).
- Date first exercisable. Subject to the agreement entered into under the Company's 1992 Stock Incentive Plan, in general, the options vest
 (1) in increments of one-third upon the later to occur of November 16, 2008, 2009 and 2010, and the stock price of the Company reaching 110%, 133% and 160% of the exercise price for ten consecutive trading days, respectively.
- (2) Date last exercisable in accordance with such agreement.

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