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OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading DECARLO DAVID J Issuer Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL (Check all applicable) CORP [MATW] _X_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner X_Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 11/15/2006 Vice Chairman (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	-	any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or Indirect	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	(I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					Reported		
				(A)	Transaction(s)		
			Code V	or Amount (D) Pric	e (Instr. 3 and 4)		

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	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 Secu
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	(((Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	d of				
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Employee Stock Option	\$ 40.56	11/15/2006		А		60,000		10/01/2007(1)	11/15/2016(2)	Class A Common Stock	60

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DECARLO DAVID J							
	Х		Vice Chairman				

Signatures

David J. DeCarlo	11/17/2006
<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,
 subject to certain service requirements, in increments of one-third upon 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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