PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock

05/02/2007

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad FRANCIS M	Symbol	PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 1000 NICOL	(First) (Mi	(Month/D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2007			X Director Officer (giv below)		6 Owner er (specify	
	4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securitie				ecurities Ac	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	4. SecuritionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4)	(A) or 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)	
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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)

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(1)

2,000

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monun Day/ Year)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Under Securi	lying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships						
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
X						
		Director 10% Owner	Director 10% Owner Officer			

Signatures

/s/ James L. Chosy for Michael R.
Francis
05/04/2007

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

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Date

The reporting person elected to defer receipt of 1,000 shares of common stock, resulting in the accrual to his account of 1,000 shares of (1) phantom stock. The phantom stock will become payable, in common stock, on the last day of the year in which the reporting person's service as a director terminates.

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