DECESARIS GEATON A JR

Form 4 January 21, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

DECESARIS GEATON A JR

(Last)			3. Date of Earliest 7 (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2005	ransaction			_X_ Director Officer (giv below)		Owner (specify
RED BAN	(Street)	4. If Amendment, DFiled(Month/Day/Yea	_	.1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqı	uired, Disposed (of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if Transaction Code	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005		S	2,500	D		37,500	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005		S	2,500	D	\$ 52.5	35,000	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable

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								Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	50	D	\$ 52.45	34,950	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	3,250	D	\$ 52.4	31,700	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 52.38	30,500	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	250	D	\$ 52.37	30,250	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	900	D	\$ 52.36	29,350	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	500	D	\$ 52.28	28,850	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 52.25	27,850	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris,

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								Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	250	D	\$ 52.2	27,600	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	2,500	D	\$ 52.12	25,100	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	100	D	\$ 52.05	25,000	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	400	D	\$ 51.89	24,600	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	100	D	\$ 51.83	24,500	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	01/19/2005	S	4,250	D	\$ 51.75	20,250	I	Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
	01/19/2005	S	250	D		20,000	I	

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Class A Common Stock						\$ 51.85			Held by the Geaton A. DeCesaris, Jr. Charitable Remainder Unitrust (1)
Class A Common Stock	12/28/2004	G	V	20,000	D	<u>(2)</u>	344,050	D	
Class A Common Stock							200,000	I	Held by the DeCesaris Family LLC #1 (3)
Class A Common Stock							105,740	I	Held By The Geaton and Josephine DeCesaris Family Trust
Class A Common Stock							21,458	I	Held by Five Queens, Inc. (4)
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.									
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 $\label{thm:convertible} \textbf{Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ \textit{(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/ e	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	OI	umber	

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Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DECESARIS GEATON A JR 10 HIGHWAY 35 X RED BANK, NJ 07701

Signatures

Nancy A. 01/21/2005 Marrazzo

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- The Reporting Person is trustee and beneficiary of the Geaton A. DeCesaris Charitable Remainder Unitrust. The Reporting Person (1) continues to report beneficial ownership of all of the Class A Common Stock held by the unitrust but disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by the family LLC except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein
- (4) Held by Five Queens, Inc. a subchapter S corporation owned by the Reporting Person's children and of which he is the President Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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