MCDONALD EUGENE J

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCDONALD EUGENE J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

RED HAT INC [RHAT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

11/15/2005

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

RED HAT, INC., 1801 VARSITY DRIVE

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

RALEIGH, NC 27606

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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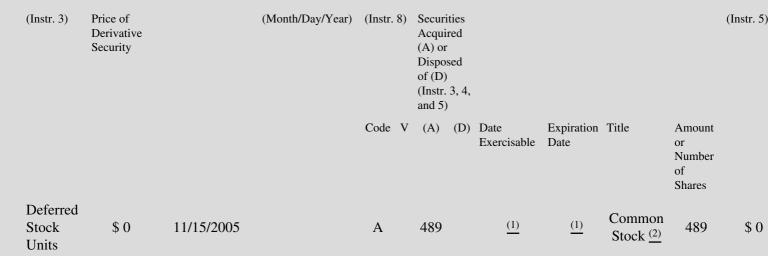
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Transactionof **Expiration Date** Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCDONALD EUGENE J				
RED HAT, INC.	v			
1901 VADCITY DDIVE	X			

RED HAT, INC. 1801 VARSITY DRIVE RALEIGH, NC 27606

Signatures

Emily Del Toro, Atty in Fact UPOA 11/17/2005

**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).

Deletionships

- This DSU was granted pursuant to Red Hat's 2004 Independent Director Plan in lieu of cash compensation and is fully vested as of the date of grant. The DSU will be paid out in cash or common stock at the election of Red Hat, Inc. on the earlier of September 1, 2008 (the deferral designated by the DSU holder). or termination of the DSU holder's Board service.
- (2) The DSU is payable in either cash or common stock at the election of Red Hat, Inc.

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