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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 **GROVE JANET** Issuer Symbol SAFEWAY INC [SWY] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 11 PENN PLAZA, 7TH FLOOR 03/31/2005 below) (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 NEW YORK, NY 10001 Person (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 0 D Stock

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. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	of	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and	
	Security			Code V		(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	03/31/2005		A	2,040.2359		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,040.23

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GROVE JANET 11 PENN PLAZA, 7TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10001	X						

Signatures

/s/ Suzan Rowland, Attorney-in-Fact 04/04/2005

**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).
- (1) The phantom stock units were accrued under the Safeway Inc. Directors Deferred Compensation Plan and are to be settled in cash on a 1-for-1 basis upon the reporting person's retirement.

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