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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 FORSYTH STEPHEN C

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 HEXCEL CORPORATION, 281
 TRESSER BLVD.
 (Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06901

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HEXCEL CORP /DE/ [HXL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/06/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Exec. Vice President and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	01/06/2006		M		20,731	A	\$ 0
Common Stock <u>(2)</u>	01/06/2006		F		6,659	D	\$ 19.4
							164,351
							157,692

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	(4)	01/06/2006		M	12,195	01/06/2006	01/06/2006	Common Stock	12,195
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	(4)	01/06/2006		M	5,327	01/06/2006	01/06/2007	Common Stock	5,327
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	(4)	01/06/2006		M	3,209	01/06/2006	01/06/2008	Common Stock	3,209

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FORSYTH STEPHEN C HEXCEL CORPORATION 281 TRESSER BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901			Exec. Vice President and CFO	

Signatures

/s/Stephen C. Forsyth by Seth L. Kaplan, Attorney-in-fact 01/10/2006

**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 Common Stock was acquired upon the conversion of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") in accordance with the terms of the underlying agreement. The RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt from under Rule 16b.
- (2) The Common Stock was withheld as payment of tax withholding required upon conversion of RSUs.
- (3) These RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b. Upon vesting, RSUs are converted into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock that are distributed to the grantee.
- (4)

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RSUs granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b. The RSUs vest and convert into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock in equal installments on the first three anniversaries from the grant date. Vesting of the RSUs is also subject to certain acceleration and termination provisions.

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