AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/

Form 4

August 01, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Stock

Stock Class A

Common

Class A Common 08/01/2005

08/01/2005

08/01/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HESS WILLIAM H				Symbol AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ [AMT]					MA/	Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2005						Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, General Counsel			
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
	BOSTON, N	MA 02116							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially												ly Owned
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	curity (Month/Day/Year) Execution str. 3) any			ned 3. 4. Securities Acquired n Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price					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	08/01/2005			S(1)		1,000	D	\$ 23.05	324,860	D	
	Class A				245				\$			

 $S^{(1)}$

 $S_{(1)}$

 $S^{(1)}$

1,700

700

25,100 D

D

23.06

\$

23.08

323,160

322,460

297,360

D

D

D

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Stock

Stock

Class A

Common 08/01/2005

6.500 $S^{(1)}$

290,860

D

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) 6. Date Exercisable and

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

4. 5. TransactionNumber Code of (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and 8. Price of Amount of Derivative Underlying Securities

Security (Instr. 5) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Acquired

Disposed

(A) or

Date

Expiration Exercisable Date

Amount Title Number

of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HESS WILLIAM H

116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE

EVP, General Counsel

Code V (A) (D)

BOSTON, MA 02116

Signatures

/s/ William H.

Hess 08/01/2005 **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 sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 15, **(1)** 2004.

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