#### **HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP INC**

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading OFFENSEND DAVID G Issuer Symbol **HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP** (Check all applicable) INC [HHGP] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) C/O EVERCORE PARTNERS, 65 10/17/2005 EAST 55TH, 33RD FLOOR (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 10022 (City) (State) (Zin)

(City)	(State)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities oner Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Ľ	<b>)</b> )	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)
Common Stock	10/17/2005	10/19/2005	A	131.084	A	\$ 22.12	720.047	I	By Deferred Compensation Plan (1)
Common Stock							25,000	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	;		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.:
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.83					(2)	04/11/2013	Common Stock	50,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
OFFENSEND DAVID G C/O EVERCORE PARTNERS 65 EAST 55TH, 33RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	X					

## **Signatures**

By: John K. Wilson, Attorney-In-Fact

\*\*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) Balance reflects the reporting person's holdings in the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan as of the date of this filing.
- Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.

  (2) The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 40% immediately upon the date of grant, 60% after 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 80% after 2nd anniversary, and 100% after 3rd anniversary.

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