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OPPENHEIMER HOLDINGS INC Form 4 December 20, 2005 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 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 LOWENTHAL ALBERT G Issuer Symbol **OPPENHEIMER HOLDINGS INC** (Check all applicable) [OPY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) _X__ Director X 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **188 MAMARONECK RD** 12/19/2005 Chairman and CEO (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 SCARSDALE, NY 10583 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I)(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price CLASS A PHASE II G NON-VOTING 12/19/2005 2.000 D I **FINANCIAL** 2.734.430 19 69 **SHARES** LP (1)

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)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addre	55	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
LOWENTHAL ALBERT G 188 MAMARONECK RD SCARSDALE, NY 10583	Х	Х	Chairman and CEO						
Signatures									
A.G. Lowenthal	12/20/2005								

**Signature of

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Phase II Financial LP is a NY partnership, of which Mr. Lowenthal is sole general partner.

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