

UNITED RENTALS INC /DE
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Helvie Todd G (Last) (First) (Middle)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/30/2006	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITED RENTALS INC /DE [URI]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Controller	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
C/O UNITED RENTALS, INC., Â FIVE GREENWICH OFFICE PARK (Street)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
GREENWICH, Â CT Â 06831 (City) (State) (Zip)				

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12,500	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	01/10/2016	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 24.98	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Helvie Todd G C/O UNITED RENTALS, INC. FIVE GREENWICH OFFICE PARK GREENWICH,Â CTÂ 06831	Â	Â	Â Controller	Â

Signatures

/s/ Todd G.
Helvie

09/08/2006

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) These shares comprise restricted stock awards granted to Mr. Helvie.

The option is exercisable in three installments. The first installment of 1,667 shares will become exercisable on January 10, 2007, the next (2) installment of 1,666 shares will become exercisable on January 10, 2008 and the final installment of 1,667 shares will become exercisable on January 10, 2009.

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