

HICKEY PHILIP J JR
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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 *
 HICKEY PHILIP J JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RARE HOSPITALITY INTERNATIONAL INC [RARE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 8215 ROSWELL ROAD, BUILDING 600
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO and Chairman of the Board

ATLANTA, GA 30350

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/08/2006		A		22,857	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					15,750	I	By trust for Hilary Hickey
Common Stock					15,750	I	By trust for McGrady Hickey

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5	02/08/2006		A	3,194	02/08/2008 ⁽¹⁾ 02/08/2016	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5	02/08/2006		A	51,540	02/08/2007 ⁽²⁾ 02/08/2016	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5	02/08/2006		A	48,166	02/08/2007 ⁽³⁾ 02/08/2016	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HICKEY PHILIP J JR 8215 ROSWELL ROAD BUILDING 600 ATLANTA, GA 30350	X		CEO and Chairman of the Board	

Signatures

Philip J. Hickey, Jr., by Joia M. Johnson,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/10/2006

**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).

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Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares under the RARE Hospitality International, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The options vest with respect to 18 shares on February 8, 2008; and 3,176 shares on February 8, 2009.

- (2) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares under the RARE Hospitality International, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The options vest with respect to 18,245 shares on February 8, 2007; 18,226 shares on February 8, 2008; and 15,069 shares on February 8, 2009.

- (3) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares under the RARE Hospitality International, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The options vest with respect to 12,041 shares on February 8, 2007; 12,042 shares on February 8, 2008; and 24,083 shares on February 8, 2009.

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