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|   | Address of Reporting<br>KEY VINCENT J   | _   | Symbol   | er Name <b>an</b><br>COUT SY<br>`]                          |  | -  | 5. Relationship<br>Issuer<br>(Che  | of Reporting Per<br>eck all applicabl                                |                          |
| (Last)<br>2 WINGA   | . , ,   | Middle)                                       |  | of Earliest T<br>Day/Year)<br>2006                          | ransaction   |  | X_ Director<br>Officer (giv<br>below)  | ve title $\frac{109}{\text{below}}$ Oth                              | % Owner<br>ner (specify  |
| (Street)<br>ACTON, MA 01720   |   |   | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |   |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting |  |  |                          |
| (City)  | (State)   | (Zip)   | Tak  | de I - Non-l  | Dorivativa   | Socurities A   | Person   | of or Banaficia  | lly Owned                |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)   | Execution any                                 | ed<br>Date, if                                       | 3.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)                      | 4. Securit<br>mAcquired<br>Disposed                    | ies<br>(A) or<br>of (D)  | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect |
| Reminder: Ro  | eport on a separate line  | e for each cl                                 | ass of sec   | urities bene  | Perso<br>inform<br>requir                              | ns who rest<br>nation cont<br>red to resp<br>nys a curre   | or indirectly.<br>spond to the collectained in this form<br>ond unless the fo<br>ntly valid OMB co                 | n are not<br>rm  | SEC 1474<br>(9-02)       |

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

| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         | 5. Number       | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Pr |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onof Derivative | Expiration Date         | Underlying Securities  | Deriv |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | Securities      | (Month/Day/Year)        | (Instr. 3 and 4)       | Secu  |

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| (Instr. 3)               | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |            | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8 | 8) | Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>and 5) | d of |                     |                    |                 |  | (Inst |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------|----|---|------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|-------|
|                          |                                    |            |                  | Code      | v  | (A)   | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |       |
| Restricted<br>Stock Unit | <u>(1)</u>                         | 09/13/2006 |                  | А         |    | 4,137   |      | (2)                 | (3)                | Common<br>Stock | 4,137                                  |       |

## **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                    |          |           |         |       |
|--|----------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MULLARKEY VINCENT J<br>2 WINGATE LANE<br>ACTON, MA 01720 | Х        |           |         |       |
| Signatures   |          |           |         |       |

| Vincent J.     | 09/14/2006 |
|----------------|------------|
| Mullarkey      | 09/14/2000 |
| **Signature of | 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) Price is N/A.

4,137 restricted stock units vest on 09/13/07 provided that during the period from 09/13/06 through the date of the Annual Meeting, the reporting person attends at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and at least 75% of the meetings of any committee of the Board which

- (2) reporting person attends a reast 75% of the meetings of the Board and a reast 75% of the meetings of any committee of the Board which the reporting person is a member. In the event the attendance requirements are not met, the restricted stock units will not become vested until 09/13/09.
- (3) Date is N/A.
- (4) Price is N/A.

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