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(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 KAVANAUGH ROBERT J Issuer Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL (Check all applicable) CORP [MATW] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 03/10/2005 (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 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 1.Title of 3. 4. Securities 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership (Instr. 8) (I) (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.          | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration | 7. Title and Amou |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transaction | onDerivative | Date                               | Underlying Securi |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code        | Securities   | (Month/Day/Year)                   | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |

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| (Instr. 3)                | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |            | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8 | , and the second | Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) |     |                  |                 |                            |                          |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------|--|--|-----|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
|                           |                                    |            |                  | Code      | V  | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title                      | Amo<br>or<br>Nun<br>of S |
| Phantom<br>Stock<br>Unit  | (1)                                | 03/10/2005 |                  | A(2)      |  | 628.16   |     | <u>(3)</u>       | <u>(4)</u>      | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 628                      |
| Common<br>Stock<br>Option | \$ 34.63                           | 03/10/2005 |                  | A(5)      |  | 3,500  |     | 03/10/2007(6)    | 03/10/2015(7)   | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 3,5                      |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| 1 6                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| KAVANAUGH ROBERT J             |               |           |         |       |  |  |
|                                | X             |           |         |       |  |  |

## **Signatures**

Robert J.

Kavanaugh 03/14/2005

\*\*Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

## **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) 1 for 1.
- (2) Formula award made under the 1994 Director Fee Plan, as amended, based on market price at time of award.
- (3) Payments on phantom stock units commence on April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the reporting person ceases to be a member of the Board of Directors.
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- (5) Formula award made under the 1994 Director Fee Plan, as amended, based on the option value at the time of award.
- (6) Date first exercisable. Subject to the agreement entered into under the Company's 1994 Director Fee Plan, as amended, in general the options vest on the second anniversary of award.
- (7) Date last exercisable in accordance with such agreement.

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