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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GIFFIN GORDON D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

BOWATER INC [BOW]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

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

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY

(Street)

04/03/2006

below)

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 8)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

GREENVILLE, SC 29601

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pr
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deri
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)			(Inst

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) **Expiration Title** (D) Date Amount

Exercisable Date

> Number of Shares

Phantom

Units (1)

Stock (2) 04/03/2006

767.67 Α

Common (1) (1) Stock

767.67

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GIFFIN GORDON D 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY X GREENVILLE, SC 29601

Signatures

William A. McCormick, 04/05/2006 Attorney-in-Fact

> **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).

These phantom stock units were allocated under the Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors (the "Directors Plan"). The Directors Plan provides for settlement of phantom stock units in cash, Company common stock (on a 1-for-1 basis), or a combination of the two following the director's ceasing to be an outside director of the Company. Phantom stock units included in this total not otherwise accounted for by a transaction on this form were allocated under the dividend reinvestment feature of the Directors Plan.

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