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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person * Statement INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/ [IP] Balboni John N (Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O INTERNATIONAL (Check all applicable) PAPER, 400 ATLANTIC STREET 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer _ Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) SVP and CIO _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person STAMFORD. CTÂ 06921 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 74,972 (1) Â Common Stock D Common Stock 7,406 (1) (2) Ι By SSP Common Stock 1,332 Ι By Spouse Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and A Securities Un Derivative Se (Instr. 4)	derlying	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	01/14/1999	01/14/2007	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 42.875	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	01/29/1999	01/29/2007	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 41	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	04/14/2000	04/14/2008	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 51.375	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	01/12/2001	01/12/2009	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 46	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	01/11/2002	01/11/2010	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 63.375	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	10/10/2002	10/10/2010	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 29.3125	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	04/10/2003	04/10/2011	Common Stock	3,500	\$ 35.05	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	10/09/2003	10/09/2011	Common Stock	3,500	\$ 35	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	04/09/2004	04/09/2012	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 41.4	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	10/08/2004	10/08/2012	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 32.54	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	04/08/2005	04/08/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 34.96	D	Â	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	07/12/2005	10/14/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 39.14	D	Â	
Common Stock Units	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	4,855 (1)	\$ (4)	I	DCSP (3)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Balboni John N						
C/O INTERNATIONAL PAPER	Â	Â	SVP and CIO	â		
400 ATLANTIC STREET	A	A	A SVF and CIO	A		
STAMFORD, CT 06921						

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Signatures

Beth Murphree, Attorney-in-fact for John N. Balboni

03/22/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Share numbers are rounded.
- (2) Represents shares of International Paper common stock held through the International Paper Salaried Savings Plan (SSP). This information is as of March 13, 2006.
- (3) The International Paper Deferred Compensation Savings Plan (DCSP) is an unfunded deferred compensation plan. Deferrals are placed into various fund equivalents offered by the DCSP, including investments in common stock equivalents of International Paper (units).
- (4) The units are to be converted into cash based on the stock price of International Paper's common stock at the time of conversion.
- (5) Distributions from the DCSP are made when a participant retires, terminates employment, becomes permanently disabled or dies. All distributions are paid in cash.

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