SHAFFER JAMES W

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(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 SHAFFER JAMES W Issuer Symbol ANGELICA CORP/NEW/[AGL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title _ ANGELICA CORPORATION, 424 01/28/2005 below) below) SOUTH WOODS MILL ROAD VP, Treasurer & CFO (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 CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017-3406 Person (7:n) (Ctata)

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date		3.	4. Securit			5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Transactio Code	ransactionAcquired (A) or ode Disposed of (D)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/31/2005		A	4,060	A	\$0	10,417 (3)	D	
Common Stock							408	I	By 401(k) Plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.88 (1)	01/28/2005		A	10,000	(2)	01/28/2015	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHAFFER JAMES W ANGELICA CORPORATION 424 SOUTH WOODS MILL ROAD CHESTERFIELD, MO 63017-3406

VP, Treasurer & CFO

Signatures

/s/ James W.
Shaffer

**Signature of 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) Exercise price is 110% of the 52-week market value high for FY 2004.
- (2) Grant of options to buy 10,000 shares of common stock vests and becomes exercisable on July 27, 2005, six months following the date of grant.
- (3) Includes 111 shares acquired pursuant to Angelica Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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