

AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC	(Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2005	AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC [AMP]	
(Last) (First) (Middle)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
1440 KIEWIT PLAZA		(Check all applicable)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(Street)		___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner	___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
OMAHA,Â NEÂ 68131		___ Officer ___ Other	___X___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		(give title below) (specify below)	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	30,322,137 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾	I	See Footnotes 1 and 2

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title			

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68131	â	â X	â	â
OBH INC 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68131	â	â X	â	â
BUFFETT WARREN E 1440 KIEWIT PLAZA OMAHA, NE 68131	â	â X	â	â

Signatures

Berkshire Hathaway Inc., by Marc D. Hamburg	10/07/2005
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Warren E. Buffett	10/07/2005
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
OBH, Inc., by Marc D. Hamburg	10/07/2005
__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).
- These shares are owned by the following subsidiaries of Berkshire Hathaway Inc.: OBH, Inc. (159,940 shares); National Indemnity Company ("NICO") (24,051,175 shares); National Fire & Marine Insurance Company ("NFMIC") (1,598,926 shares); Columbia Insurance Company ("Columbia") (3,445,080 shares); Wesco-Financial Insurance Company ("WSFIC") (388,620 shares); Nebraska Furniture Mart ("NFM") (279,942 shares); Central States Indemnity Company of Omaha ("CSIC") (174,000 shares); The Fechheimer Brothers Company ("Fechheimer") (167,966 shares); Borsheim's Jewelry Company ("Borsheim's") (55,988 shares); and FlightSafety International, Inc. ("FlightSafety") (500 shares). Each of NICO, NFMIC, Columbia, WSFIC, NFM, CSIC, Fechheimer, Borsheim's, and FlightSafety is a subsidiary of OBH, Inc. ("OBH"). OBH is a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. ("Berkshire").
- (1) (FN 1, contd.) As OBH and Berkshire are each in the chain of ownership of NICO, NFMIC, Columbia, WSFIC, NFM, CSIC, Fechheimer, Borsheim's and FlightSafety, each may be deemed presently to both beneficially own and have a pecuniary interest in all shares of Common Stock presently owned by each such subsidiary. Warren E. Buffett, as the controlling stockholder of Berkshire, may be deemed presently to beneficially own, but only to the extent he has a pecuniary interest in, the shares of Common Stock presently owned by each such subsidiary and by OBH, Inc.; Mr. Buffett disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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