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

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SAMMONS	Symbol	Symbol RITE AID CORP [RAD]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	(Month/Da	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/23/2005			_X_ Director _X_ Officer (giv below)	10%	Owner er (specify	
(City)	Filed(Mon	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	e of 2. Transaction Date 2A. I (Month/Day/Year) Exec any (Month/Day/Year)		3.	Fransaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	06/23/2005		A	26,277	A	\$0	779,669	D	

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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A N Sl
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.11	06/23/2005		A	267,001	06/23/2006	06/23/2015	Common Stock	2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SAMMONS MARY F

X President & CEO

Signatures

Mary F. Sammons, by Power of Attorney 06/27/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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