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Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

7. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3)
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* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction 4(b)(v).

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. Con- version or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Transac- tion Code (Instr. 8)
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Security

Options to purchase	\$10.06	4/24/00	A
Options to purchase	\$7.94	10/5/00	A

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
10/24/00	4/24/10	Class A Common Stock	100,000
4/5/01	10/5/10	Class A Common Stock	50,000
			456,376

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Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Theodore M. Wright	February 12, 2001
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.