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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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 KAMIN PETER H Issuer Symbol SEITEL INC [SELA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director X__ 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 265 FRANKLIN STREET, 16TH 01/03/2007 below) FLOOR, 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting BOSTON, MA 02110

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/03/2007		A	25,000 (1)	A	<u>(2)</u>	51,268,012	D (4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/03/2007		A	25,000 (3)	A	<u>(2)</u>	51,293,012	I	See Footnote (4)

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

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transact	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable Date	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code v	(A)(D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
topoloning of the remaining of the remaining	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KAMIN PETER H 265 FRANKLIN STREET, 16TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110	X	X				
VA PARTNERS LLC 435 PACIFIC AVENUE FOURTH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133		X				
ValueAct Capital Management, L.P. 435 PACIFIC AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133		X				
ValueAct Capital Management, LLC 435 PACIFIC AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133		X				
UBBEN JEFFREY W 435 PACIFIC AVENUE, FOURTH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133		X				

Signatures

/s/ Peter H. Kamin	01/05/2007				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
VA PARTNERS, L.L.C., By:/s/ George F. Hamel. Jr., Managing Member					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				
VALUEACT CAPITAL MASTER FUND, L.P., By: VA PARTNERS, L.L.C., its General Partner, By:/s/ George F. Hamel. Jr., Managing Member	01/05/2007				

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**Signature of Reporting Person Date

VALUEACT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., By: VALUEACT CAPITAL

MANAGEMENT, LLC, its General Partner, By:/s/ George F. Hamel. Jr., Managing Member

01/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

01/05/2007

VALUEACT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, By:/s/ George F. Hamel. Jr., Managing

Member

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Jeffrey W. Ubben

01/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ George F. Hamel, Jr.

01/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- Received as Peter H. Kamin's compensation for services as director. Grant is of restricted stock that vests as follows: one-third of the (1) restricted stock vests one year from the date of grant, an additional one-third vests two years from date of grant, and the remaining one-third vests three years from the date of grant.
- (2) Not a required reportable field.
- Received by Gregory P. Spivy as compensation for services as director. Grant is of restricted stock that vests as follows: one-third of the restricted stock vests one year form the date of grant, an additional one-third vests two years from the date of grant, and the remaining one-third vests three years from the date of grant.
 - Under an agreement with ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P., both Peter H. Kamin and Gregory P. Spivy are deemed to hold the restricted stock for the benefit of ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P. and indirectly for (i) VA Partners, L.L.C as General Partner of ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P. (ii) ValueAct Capital Management, L.P. as the manager of ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P. and (iii) ValueAct Capital Management, L.P. peter H. Kamin is a director of Seitel, Inc. and Managing Member of VA Partners, LLC and ValueAct Capital Management, L.P. Jeffrey W. Ubben and George F. Hamel, Jr.
- Inc. and Managing Member of VA Partners, LLC and ValueAct Capital Management, L.P. Jeffrey W. Ubben and George F. Hamel, Jr. are Managing Members of VA Partners, L.L.C. and ValueAct Capital Management, LLC. Gregory P. Spivy is a director of Seitel, Inc. and Non-Managing Member of VA Partners, L.L.C. and ValueAct Capital Management, LLC. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the reported stock except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

Remarks:

Joint Filer Information:

Name: ValueAct Capital Master Fund, L.P.,

Address: 435 Pacific Avenue, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94133

Designated Filer: Peter H. Kamin

Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Seitel, Inc. (SELA)

Date of Event Requiring Statement: January 3, 2007

Name: ValueAct Capital Management, L.P.

Address: 435 Pacific Avenue, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94133

Designated Filer: Peter H. Kamin

Issuer and Ticker Symbol: Seitel, Inc. (SELA)

Date of Event Requiring Statement: January 3, 2007

Name: ValueAct Capital Management, LLC

Address: 435 Pacific Avenue, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94133

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