

DUN & BRADSTREET CORP/NW
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CLIFFORD PATRICIA A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DUN & BRADSTREET CORP/NW
 [DNB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 103 JFK PARKWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/01/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Leader - Human Resources

SHORT HILLS, NJ 07078

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2005 | | M | 1,644 A \$ 11.2508 | 7,622 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2005 | | S | 1,644 D \$ 64 | 5,978 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 929,232 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Held in PP/IP |

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option - Right to Buy | \$ 11.2508 | 09/01/2005 | | M | 1,644 | 12/20/1995 ⁽²⁾ 12/20/2005 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CLIFFORD PATRICIA A 103 JFK PARKWAY SHORT HILLS, NJ 07078 | | | Leader - Human Resources | |

Signatures

Patricia A. Clifford
09/06/2005
**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).
- (1) Held in the Profit Participation/Investment Plan (PP/IP) as of 8/31/05.
- (2) The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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