

KIRKSEY J MICHAEL
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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 *
KIRKSEY J MICHAEL

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 12300 PARC CREST DRIVE
 (Street)

STAFFORD, TX 77477

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INPUT OUTPUT INC [IO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/17/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Former Exec. VP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership: Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common stock	03/17/2006		M		25,000 A \$ 4.51	40,000	D
Common Stock	03/17/2006		S		25,000 (1) D \$ 9.4479	15,000 (2)	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)

Table with 7 columns: 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4). Row 1: Stock Option (Right to Buy), \$ 4.51, 03/17/2006, M, 25,000, 01/01/2005, 01/01/2014, Common Stock, 25,000.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationship categories: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Reporting Owner: KIRKSEY J MICHAEL, 12300 PARC CREST DRIVE, STAFFORD, TX 77477. Relationship: Former Exec. VP & CFO.

Signatures

/s/ Debra A. Addington, Attorney-in-fact, 03/23/2006. Signature of Reporting Person, Date.

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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- (1) Sold in connection with a cashless exercise of employee stock options.
(2) Upon his departure from I/O, reporting person forfeited 23,000 shares of unvested restricted stock.

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