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AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ Form 4 October 02, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 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 TAICLET JAMES D JR Issuer Symbol AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ (Check all applicable) [AMT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE** 10/01/2008 Chairman, President and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BOSTON, MA 02116 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned (Instr. 8) (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common D 10/01/2008 Μ 40,000 A \$ 10.5 48,000 Stock Class A \$ Common 10/01/2008 S⁽¹⁾ 28.700 D 35.69 19,300 D (2) Stock Class A \$ 36.5 Common 10/01/2008 S⁽¹⁾ 10,400 D 8.900 D (3) Stock Class A $S^{(1)}$ 900 \$ D 10/01/2008 D 8,000 Common 37.16

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Stock

(4)

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)

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. Transactic 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$ 10.5	10/01/2008		М	40,000	(5)	11/17/2013	Class A Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
TAICLET JAMES D JR 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02116	Х		Chairman, President and CEO			
Signatures						
/s/ Nathaniel B. Sisitsky, as attorney-in-fact		10/02/2008				
** 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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) Represents the weighted average price of shares sold in multiple same-day transactions at prices ranging from \$35.10 to \$36.08 per share.
- (3) Represents the weighted average price of shares sold in multiple same-day transactions at prices ranging from \$36.11 to \$37.07 per share.

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- (4) Represents the weighted average price of shares sold in multiple same-day transactions at prices ranging from \$37.08 to \$37.23 per share.
- (5) This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning November 17, 2004.

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