

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 MAY PETER W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC
 [(ECPG)]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/20/2007

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

C/O TRIARC COMPANIES, INC., 280 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2007 ⁽¹⁾ | | S | 788,381 | D | \$ 9.75 | 87,500 I | By Madison West ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾ |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2007 ⁽¹⁾ | | S | 91,275 | D | \$ 9.75 | 10,000 I | By Triarc ⁽³⁾ ⁽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. 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MAY PETER W C/O TRIARC COMPANIES, INC. 280 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ May, Peter
W. 04/23/2007

**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).
- (1) On April 20, 2007, Madison West Associates Corp. ('Madison West'), Triarc Companies, Inc. ('Triarc') and certain other stockholders of the Issuer entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement pursuant to which Madison West will sell 788,381 shares, and Triarc will sell 91,275 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock at a price of \$9.75 per share. The closing of the sale is scheduled to take place on May 10, 2007.
 - (2) All such shares are held by Madison West., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Triarc Companies, Inc. ('Triarc'). Mr. May is an officer, director and significant stockholder of Triarc.
 - (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
 - (4) All such securities are held by Triarc. Mr. May is an officer, director and significant stockholder of Triarc.

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