

Eoff Robert H
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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 *
 Eoff Robert H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 803 CHANNEL 3 DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/20/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Group President

MEMPHIS, TN 38103

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Class A Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 12/20/2005 | | A | | 6,000 | A | \$ 0 8,775 |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | | I | 786 ⁽²⁾ |
| | | | | | | | By Spouse ⁽³⁾ |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Option 2005 ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 27.445 | 12/20/2005 | | A | 25,000 | ⁽⁴⁾ 12/20/2015 | Class A Common Stock | 25,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Eoff Robert H 803 CHANNEL 3 DRIVE MEMPHIS, TN 38103 | | | Group President | |

Signatures

Solomon B. Watson IV, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert H. Eoff 12/21/2005

__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) Consists of grant of restricted stock units under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock and vests on December 20, 2010.
- (2) The balance has been decreased by 218 shares from the previous Form 4 filing, which overstated the number of shares due to a clerical error.
- (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his spouse, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (4) Right to buy Class A Common Stock granted under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in four annual installments beginning on December 20, 2006.

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