

AZTAR CORP
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FORM 4

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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 *
SPEK MERIDITH P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

AZTAR CORPORATION, 2390 E. CAMELBACK RD., SUITE 400

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85016

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AZTAR CORP [AZR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/25/2005

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)
Vice President & Controller

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Aztar Corporation Common Stock	04/25/2005		M		20,000 A \$ 11.6875	20,500	D ⁽¹⁾
Aztar Corporation Common Stock	04/25/2005		S		20,000 D \$ 27.4	500	I Trust ⁽²⁾

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Option to Purchase Aztar Corporation Common Stock	\$ 11.6875	04/25/2005		M	20,000	05/10/2003 ⁽³⁾ 05/10/2010	Aztar Corporation Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SIPEK MERIDITH P AZTAR CORPORATION 2390 E. CAMELBACK RD., SUITE 400 PHOENIX, AZ 85016			Vice President & Controller	

Signatures

/s/ Meridith P. Sipek
Date: 04/25/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) 20,000 Direct / 500 Trust
- (2) Shares held by Meridith P. Sipek and Marsha A. Sipek, as Trustees of the MERIDITH AND MARSHA SIPEK TRUST, under agreement dated March 29, 2001.
- (3) 6,667 05/10/2001 - 6,667 05/10/2002 - 6,666 05/10/2003

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