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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VERO RYAN T			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			OFFICEMAX INC [OMX]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
150 E. PIERCE ROAD			03/16/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				Exec. V.PMerchandising			
	(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			
ITASCA, IL	60143			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table L. Non-Derivative Securities	Acquired Disposed of or Reneficially Owne			

(,)	()	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	ies Acc	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect				
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5))	Owned	Ownership					
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
					(4)		Reported				
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	03/16/2005		A	17,950	A	\$0	30,344	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)

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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VERO RYAN T 150 E. PIERCE ROAD ITASCA, IL 60143

Exec. V.P.-Merchandising

Signatures

/s/ Matthew R. Broad,

Attorney-in-fact 03/17/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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