

GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO
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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 *
CARY RICHARD C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO [AJG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., TWO PIERCE PLACE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/01/2005

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Controller, CAO

ITASCA, IL 60143

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/01/2005		F ⁽¹⁾	2,067 D \$ 28.8	14,624	D	
Common Stock					14,585	I	by Trust
Common Stock (restricted)					1,667	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)

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.25					(2)	08/30/2008	Common Stock	3,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.5					(2)	06/20/2010	Common Stock	18,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.7					(2)	07/21/2012	Common Stock	10,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.9					01/01/2004 ⁽²⁾	07/16/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.5					(2)	07/19/2011	Common Stock	10,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42					(2)	07/21/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.28					01/01/2005 ⁽²⁾	03/31/2014	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARY RICHARD C
ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO.
TWO PIERCE PLACE
ITASCA, IL 60143

Controller, CAO

Signatures

By: John C. Rosengren For: Richard C.
Cary

04/04/2005

__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) Shares withheld to cover applicable taxes on restricted stock distribution.
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable 10% each year, commencing January 1 after the date of grant.

Remarks:

The directly owned common stock holdings reflected in Table I of this form include shares purchased through Arthur J. Gallag

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