

GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO

Form 4

March 16, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GAULT JAMES S

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)
03/14/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

ITASCA, IL 60143

(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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/14/2006		A		6,894	A	\$ 55,195
Common Stock							28,549
Common Stock							28,000
Common Stock (restricted)							9,763

by Trust

D

by Spouse
(2)

D

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.25					(3) 08/30/2008	Common Stock 8,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.5					(3) 06/20/2010	Common Stock 20,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.7					(3) 07/21/2012	Common Stock 25,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.9					01/01/2004(3) 07/16/2013	Common Stock 35,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.5					(3) 07/19/2011	Common Stock 20,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.25					(3) 07/20/2015	Common Stock 35,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42					(3) 07/21/2014	Common Stock 35,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GAULT JAMES S ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143			Vice President	

Signatures

By: John C. Rosengren For: James S.
Gault

03/16/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Granted pursuant to the Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Deferred Equity Participation Plan.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4). This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is, for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise, the beneficial owner of such securities.
- (3) The stock option becomes exercisable 10% each year, commencing January 1 after the date of grant.

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