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(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KELLY DAVID M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]					·5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2004				X Director 10% Owner Selection of the control of t					
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Fil Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Fill Form filed by More than One Fill Person					One Reporting Per	rson			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Noi	ı-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	Execution any		Code (Instr. 8	3)	4. Securit n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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)	
Class A Common Stock	12/14/2004			M		50,000	A	\$ 14.03	141,524	D		
Class A Common Stock	12/14/2004			S		50,000	D	\$ 37	141,524	D		
Class A Common Stock	12/15/2004			M		24,667	A	\$ 14.03	141,524	D		
Class A Common	12/15/2004			S		24,667	D	\$ 37.04	141,524	D		

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Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	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
Employee Stock Option	\$ 14.03	12/14/2004		M		50,000	11/15/2003	11/15/2010	Class A Common Stock	50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 14.03	12/15/2004		M		24,667	11/15/2003	11/15/2010	Class A Common Stock	24,667

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KELLY DAVID M								
	X		President and CEO					

Signatures

David M. Kelly 12/16/2004

**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).

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