

NORTHERN TRUST 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 \*  
 MCCORMACK ROBERT C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NORTHERN TRUST CORP  
 [NTRS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 50 S. LA SALLE ST.  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/28/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

CHICAGO, IL 60675

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock	10/28/2005		S	6,000	D	\$ 53	1,556,952	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005		S	2,800	D	\$ 53.01	1,554,152	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005		S	993	D	\$ 53.02	1,553,159	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005		S	300	D	\$ 53.03	1,552,859	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005		S	503	D	\$ 53.04	1,552,356	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>

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Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	1,403	D	\$ 53.05	1,550,953	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	2,700	D	\$ 53.06	1,548,253	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	274	D	\$ 53.07	1,547,979	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	370	D	\$ 53.08	1,547,609	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	200	D	\$ 53.09	1,547,409	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	1,520	D	\$ 53.1	1,545,889	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	1,900	D	\$ 53.11	1,543,989	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 53.12	1,542,989	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	1,853	D	\$ 53.13	1,541,136	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	4,350	D	\$ 53.14	1,536,786	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	3,134	D	\$ 53.15	1,533,652	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	10/28/2005	S	700	D	\$ 53.16	1,532,952	I	By Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock						27,851	I	By Spouse
Common Stock						1,681,952	I	By Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock						1,076,400	I	By Trust <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock						117,000	I	By Trust <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock						66,768	I	GRAT
Common Stock						1,494	I	McCormack LLC
Common Stock <sup>(5)</sup>						5,336.75	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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