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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Zatta Robert J

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/12/2005

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Rockwood Holdings, Inc. [ROC]

(Check all applicable)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS, INC., 100 OVERLOOK **CENTER**

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner

Other (give title below) (specify below) Senior VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

PRINCETON. NJÂ 08540

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share 43,466

Â 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

5. 4. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	(1)	09/15/2011	Common Stock	62,975	\$ 14.61	D	Â
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	(2)	10/15/2014	Common Stock	23,958	\$ 14.61	D	Â
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	(3)	09/15/2011	Common Stock	62,975	\$ 14.61	D	Â
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	(4)	10/15/2014	Common Stock	55,445	\$ 14.61	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Zatta Robert J C/O ROCKWOOD HOLDINGS, INC. 100 OVERLOOK CENTER PRINCETON. NJ 08540	Â	Â	Senior VP and CFO	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Robert J.
Zatta

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These options were granted on September 15, 2001 and vest 10% on each of the first and second anniversary of grant, 25% on each of the third and fourth anniversary of grant and 30% on the fifth anniversary of grant.
- (2) These options were granted on October 15, 2004 and vest in five equal annual installments beginning October 15, 2005.
- (3) These options vest on September 15, 2009, but may vest earlier upon the satisfaction of certain performance targets.
- (4) These options vest on October 15, 2012, but may vest earlier upon the satisfaction of certain performance targets.

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