FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Last) (First) (Middle) 2250 EIGHTH STREET		13/07/2000		4. Relationship of Reporting F (Check all applicable) Director		10% Owne	(Month/Day/Year) 06/12/2006				
(Street) LAKE ARTHUR (City)	LA (State)	70549 (Zip)			President - Subsi		below) diary		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)				. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership nstr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
''''		2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ir			4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	e Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Employee Stoo	ck Options (rig	ght to buy)	09/12/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/12/2012	2	Common Stock	6,000	8.55	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The options become exercisable in three annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant.

## Remarks:

/s/ Samuel L. Cooper

06/12/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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