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(Print or Type	Responses)										
MEHRA SANJEEV K S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEXCEL CORP /DE/ [HXL]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) ((Check all applicable)				
((Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2006				X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below) below)				
(Street) 4. If A			f Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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NEW YORK NY 10004						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	-Derivative Secu	irities	Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Da any (Month/Day/	Code	if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	-		
Common Stock	03/15/2006		S	12,825,521 (2) (3)	D	\$ 20	1,289,458	Ι	See footnotes $(1) (4) (5) (6)$		
Common Stock	03/15/2006		D	3,064 (<u>7)</u> (<u>8)</u>	D	\$ 0	1,286,394	I	See footnotes (1) (4) (6) (7) (8)		

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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo
	·			(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
				of (D)						(Instr
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships							
		Director	10% Owner	Officer Oth					
MEHRA SANJEEV K C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK NY 10004	& CO.	Х							
Signatures									
/s/ Sanjeev K. Mehra	03/17/2	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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a direct and indirect
 (1) wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein as indirectly owned except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

Pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, dated March 9, 2006, and in connection with the registered public offering of shares of Hexcel Corporation (the "Company") common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), pursuant to the final prospectus filed by the Company on March 10, 2006 pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which was consummated on March

- (2) 15, 2006, LXH, L.L.C. ("LXH"), LXH II, L.L.C. ("LXH II" and, together with LXH, the "LXH Entities"), GS Capital Partners 2000, L.P. ("GS Capital"), GS Capital Partners 2000 Offshore, L.P. ("GS Offshore"), GS Capital Partners 2000 GmbH & Co. Beteiligungs KG ("GS Germany"), GS Capital Partners 2000 Employee Fund, L.P. ("GS Employee") and Stone Street Fund 2000, L.P. ("Stone Street" and, together with GS Capital, GS Offshore, GS Germany and GS Employee, the "Limited Partnerships") (continued in next footnote)
- (3) sold an aggregate of 12,825,521 shares of Common Stock, consisting of 7,304,466 shares of Common Stock sold by GS Capital, 2,653,993 shares of Common Stock sold by GS Offshore, 305,394 shares of Common Stock sold by GS Germany, 2,320,742 shares of

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Common Stock sold by GS Employee, 240,859 shares of Common Stock sold by Stone Street, 38 shares of Common Stock sold by LXH and 29 shares of Common Stock sold by LXH II.

Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own directly and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 720 shares of Common Stock. GS Group and Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 7 shares of Common Stock by reason of

(4) the beneficial ownership of such shares by the LXH Entities and the Limited Partnerships, in each case, of which Goldman Sachs or affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner, managing partner, managing member, member, manager or investment manager. (continued in next footnote)

In addition, GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own 6,186 shares of Common Stock which were granted pursuant to the Hexcel Corporation 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, consisting of 3,093 shares of phantom stock granted to each of the Reporting Person and Peter M. Sacerdote, an advisory director of Goldman Sachs, in their capacity as directors of the Company. The Reporting Person and Mr.

- (5) Sacerdote, an advisory director of Column sachs, in their capacity as directors of the Company. The Reporting Ferson and With Sacerdote resigned from their positions as directors of the Company effective March 15, 2006 in accordance with the terms of the Amended and Restated Governance Agreement, dated as of March 19, 2003, among LXH, LXH II, GS Capital, GS Offshore, GS Employee, GS Germany, Stone Street and the Company.
- (6) GS Group and Goldman Sachs may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly 1,282,545 shares of Common Stock by reason of the beneficial ownership of such shares by the Limited Partnerships.

The Reporting Person and Mr. Sacerdote resigned from their positions as directors of the Company effective March 15, 2006 in accordance with the terms of the Amended and Restated Governance Agreement, dated as of March 19, 2003, among LXH, LXH II, GS Capital, GS Offshore, GS Employee, GS Germany, Stone Street and the Company. Upon such resignations, 3,064 shares of Common Stock which were granted pursuant to the Hexcel Corporation 2003 Incentive Stock Plan but had not yet vested, consisting of 1,532

- (7) Stock which were granted pursuant to the receiver Corporation 2005 interfutive stock Plan but had not yet vested, consisting of 1,552 shares of phantom stock granted to each of the Reporting Person and Mr. Sacerdote in their capacity as directors of the Company, were forfeited and cancelled. Accordingly, GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own 3,122 shares of Common Stock which were granted pursuant to the Hexcel Corporation 2003 Incentive Stock Plan, consisting of 1,561 shares of phantom stock granted to each of the Reporting Person (continued in next footnote)
- (8) and Mr. Sacerdote in their capacity as directors of the Company.

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