PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CASELLAS GILBERT F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Month/Day/Year)

12/20/2004

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC

(Check all applicable)

[(PRU)]

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director

10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL. INC., 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH **FLOOR**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

NEWARK, NJ 071023777

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	4. 5. Number 6. Date		6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and Amount of		8. Price o
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactionof			Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		Derivativ
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	` '		Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)							(Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Notional Shares	<u>(1)</u>	12/20/2004		A	123		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	123	\$ 53.6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CASELLAS GILBERT F C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC. 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR NEWARK, NJ 071023777

X

Signatures

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Gibson, Attorney-in-fact

12/21/2004

**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).
- (1) Notional Shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.
- (2) Notional shares are payable in common stock on a date following termination of service on the Board of Directors.

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