

FORTUNE BRANDS INC  
Form 4  
December 06, 2004

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**ROCHE MARK A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**300 TOWER PARKWAY**

(Street)

**LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**12/02/2004**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Sr. VP, General Counsel, Secy.

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 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)
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/02/2004		M <sup>(2)</sup>	30,833 A	\$ 24.5 74,408 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/02/2004		S	30,833 D	\$ 78.23 43,575 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125 <sup>(1)</sup>					5,493 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings

Plan Trust.

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.5	12/02/2004		M <sup>(2)</sup>	30,833 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/26/2001 09/26/2010	Common Stock	30,833 <sup>(1)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
ROCHE MARK A 300 TOWER PARKWAY LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069	Sr. VP, General Counsel, Secy.

## Signatures

Russell W. Hahn, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark A.  
Roche 12/03/2004

                    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) Attached to each share of common stock is one Preferred Share Purchase Right that is not presently transferable from the common stock.
- (2) Reflects the exercise of options granted under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans.
- (3) The number of shares reported as held by the Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportional beneficial interest in the common stock held in the Trust as of December 2, 2004.

**Remarks:**

On December 2, 2004, Mr. Roche performed a cashless exercise of options issued under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plan.

Specifically, he purchased and then subsequently sold 30,833 shares of the issuer's common stock. After this transaction, he d

owned 43,575 shares of the issuer's common stock and options to purchase 293,767 shares. Mr. Roche also indirectly

owns 5,493 shares under the Fortune Brands Retirement Savings Plan.

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