

MICROSTRATEGY INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RICKERTSEN CARL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MICROSTRATEGY
INCORPORATED, 1861
INTERNATIONAL DRIVE

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MICROSTRATEGY INC [MSTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/02/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | | M | 2,000 | A | \$ 7.62 | 2,000 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 20.69 | 7,000 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | | S | 2,137 | D | \$ 71 | 4,863 ⁽¹⁾ | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | | S | 100 | D | \$ | 4,763 | D |

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|----------------------|------------|---|-------|---|----------|-------|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | | | 71.08 | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 800 | D | \$ 71.1 | 3,963 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 699 | D | \$ 71.12 | 3,264 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 100 | D | \$ 71.14 | 3,164 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 130 | D | \$ 71.23 | 3,034 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 100 | D | \$ 71.25 | 2,934 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 130 | D | \$ 71.28 | 2,804 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 198 | D | \$ 71.3 | 2,606 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 99 | D | \$ 71.31 | 2,507 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 71.35 | 1,507 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 300 | D | \$ 71.38 | 1,207 | | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 11/02/2005 | S | 1,207 | D | \$ 71.39 | 0 | | 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 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) | 8. I |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|
| Director Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 7.62 | 11/02/2005 | | M | 2,000 | (2) 10/07/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Director Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 20.69 | 11/02/2005 | | M | 5,000 | (3) 02/08/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 5,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RICKERTSEN CARL J C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED 1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22102 | X | | | |

Signatures

Carl John Rickertsen
11/04/2005
Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Separate open market sale transactions that were executed on 11/02/2005 at the same price have been reported on an aggregate basis on a single line in Table I. The order in which sale transactions are set forth in Table I is not necessarily reflective of the sequence in which the sale transactions occurred in fact.
- (1)
 - (2) The 2,000 shares exercised on 11/02/2005 pursuant to this stock option vested on 10/07/2005. The remaining 4,000 shares subject to the stock option vest in two equal annual installments beginning on 10/07/2006.
 - (3)

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The 5,000 shares exercised on 11/02/2005 pursuant to this stock option vested on 02/08/2005. The remaining 15,000 shares subject to the stock option vest in three equal annual installments beginning on 02/08/2006.

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