21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO

Form 4

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	l. Name ar .awson, E	nd Address of Report dward J.	ting Person*				l Ticker or Tra ing Compan		6. Relationshi	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
4	(Last)	Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statemer Month/Day/ 02/24/2003			_X_ Director Owner _X_ Officer (g) (specify below					
-	Plantation				5. If Amend Original (Mo			(Check Applic _X_ Form file Form file	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								eficially		
Se	Fitle of curity str. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/	Transaction Code		or Disposed of (D) So (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Bo O			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
					Code	٧	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
	mmon ock	02/24/2003			S (1)		1,500	D	9.90				
	mmon ock	02/24/2003			S (1)		500	D	9.91	538,089	D		
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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 FORM 4 (continued) (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instructions 4(b)(v).

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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
	Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
							06/04/2003 (2)	06/04/2008	Common Stock	100,000	12.50	100,000	D
							06/04/2003 (2)	06/04/2008	Common Stock	50,000	12.50	50,000	ı
							06/05/2002 (3)	06/05/2011	Common Stock	3,000	10.00	3,000	D
							06/05/2002 (3)	06/05/2011	Common Stock	3,000	10.00	3,000	ı
							06/06/2001 (4)	06/06/2010	Common Stock	3,000	10.00	3,000	D
							06/06/2001 (4)	06/06/2010	Common Stock	3,000	10.00	3,000	ı
							09/16/1999 (5)	09/16/2008	Common Stock	16,000	10.00	16,000	D
							09/16/1999 (5)	09/16/2008	Common Stock	10,000	10.00	10,000	ı

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This proposed sale is pursuant to a previously adopted plan dated 12/30/2002 intended to comply with Rule 10B5-1C.
- 2. The options vest 20% per year beginning June 4, 2003.
- 3. The options vest 25% per year beginning June 5, 2002.
- 4. The options vest 25% per year beginning June 6, 2001.
- 5. The options vest 25% per year beginning September 16, 1999.

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.	/s/ Edward J. Lawson	02/25/2003
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).	**Signature of Reporting Person Edward J. Lawson	Date

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