THORNTON JOHN L

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THORNTON JOHN L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FORD MOTOR CO [F]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

C/O GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC, 375 PARK AVENUE

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

12/31/2004

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10152

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

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

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4)

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

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

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

Common Stock,

\$0.01 par

value

30,134 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. l De Sec (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Ford Stock Units	(1)	12/31/2004		A(1)	3,402	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	3,402	\$
Ford Stock Equivalents	(2)					<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	(2)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
topoliting of the Filmer, Federal	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THORNTON JOHN L C/O GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC 375 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10152	X					
Signatures						

s/Kathryn S. Lamping, 01/04/2005 Attorney-in-Fact

> **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).
- These Ford Stock Units were credited to the Reporting Person's account by the Company at the crediting price of \$14.70 per Stock Unit under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. In general, these Ford Stock Units will be converted and distributed to the Reporting Person, without payment, in cash, on January 10th of the year following termination of Board service, based upon the then current market value of a share of Common Stock.
- These Ford Stock Equivalents were acquired under the Company's Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors without payment (2) by the Reporting Person. In general, approximately 20% of the initial grant of 3,496 Ford Stock Equivalents will be converted and distributed to the Reporting Person, without payment, in shares of Common Stock on June 1 of the 5 years commencing 6/1/2002.

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