MONAHAN PIERRE

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **MONAHAN PIERRE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BOWATER INC [BOW]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2005

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

Sr.VP&Pres-CanForest Prod. Div

below)

55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

(Instr. 4)

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GREENVILLE, SC 29601

(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)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

(A)

Code V

(D) Date Expiration Exercisable Date

Title

Amount or

> Number of Shares

Stock

Option (right to buy) (1)

\$ 37.295 01/25/2005 A 25,000 01/25/2006 01/25/2015

Common

25,000 Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MONAHAN PIERRE 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY GREENVILLE, SC 29601

Sr. VP&Pres-CanForest Prod. Div

Signatures

William A. McCormick, Attorney-In Fact

01/27/2005

**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 options were granted under the Company's 2002 Stock Option Plan. The Plan sets forth certain earlier expiration dates upon the option holder's termination of employment or cessation of Board service, as the case may be. In addition, the exercisability of outstanding

(1) options may be accelerated as approved by the committee administering the Plan, and will be accelerated upon the occurrence of certain specified "change in control" events, in which case the options will be automatically purchased by the Company at a defined acceleration price.

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