RIPPY R ALLEN Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RIPPY R ALLEN

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES INC [COOP]

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3.

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year)

12/14/2005

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

> > Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

201 MARKET STREET

WILMINGTON, NC 28401 (City) (State)

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) (Month/Day/Year)

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

4. Securities

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

8,740

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numloof Deriv Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	vative es ed	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.66	12/14/2005		A	2,000		12/14/2005(1)	12/14/2015	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7						03/01/1997(1)	03/01/2007	Common Stock	5,636
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.373						07/15/1999(1)	07/15/2009	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18						12/29/2004(1)	12/29/2014	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RIPPY R ALLEN 201 MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, NC 28401	X					
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Signatures

/s/ Rippy, R.
Allen

**Signature of Reporting Person

12/16/2005

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) Stock Options fully vested on date of grant.

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