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THE HART PLAZA	FORD, HART	FORD	05/17/20	)06						
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Restricted				Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4) 257.66	D	
Units										
Restricted Stock	05/17/2006			А	1,708	А	\$ 87.87	3,359	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	Date	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 67.19				<u>(1)</u>	12/18/2014	Common Stock	1,145	

## **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MORRIS MICHAEL G THE HARTFORD HARTFORD PLAZA HARTFORD, CT 06115	Х			
Signatures				

/s/ Richard G. Costello, POA for Michael G. Morris by Power of Attorney of Michael G. 05/18/2006 Morris dated December 15, 2004.

\*\*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).
- (1) One-third of the option became exercisable on December 16, 2005, an additional one-third of the option will become exercisable on December 16, 2006 and the remaining one-third of the option will become exercisable on December 16, 2007.

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