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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Gigerich John L Symbol Nalco Holding CO [NLC] (Check all applicable) (First) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 12/31/2005 below) below) 1601 WEST DIEHL ROAD VP, Administration (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line)

NAPERVILLE, Â ILÂ 60563-1198

(State)

(Zip)

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transaction	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of		5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned at end	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							of Issuer's	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)			Fiscal Year		
					(A)		(Instr. 3 and		
					or		4)		
				Amount	(D)	Price	')		
Common Stock	12/22/2005	Â	X4 <u>(1)</u>	44,631	A	\$ (2)	44,631	D	Â

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

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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. 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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sh
Exchange Right (right to buy) (3)	Â	12/22/2005	Â	X4 (1)	Â	20,000,000	(4)	(5)	Common Stock	44,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Gigerich John L 1601 WEST DIEHL ROAD NAPERVILLE, IL 60563-1198	Â	Â	VP, Administration	Â				

Signatures

/s/ Filomena
Trombino

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/12/2005

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).
- On December 22, 2005, pursuant to the exchange rights of such units, the Reporting Person transferred the following membership units of Nalco LLC (the direct parent company of Nalco Holding Company) in exchange for shares of Nalco Holding Company common stock owned by Nalco LLC: all of his previously reported 20,000,000 class A units.
- (2) Class A units are exchangeable at a ratio of 448.117 units for each share of Nalco Holding Company common stock.
- The Reporting Person has the right to transfer his Nalco LLC class A units in exchange for shares of Nalco Holding Company common stock owned by Nalco LLC. Class A units are unconditionalas described in the Management Members Agreements, which are filed as Exhibits 10.30 to 10.39 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of Nalco Holding Company (File No. 333-118583) (the "Management Members Agreements").
- These rights to exchange Nalco LLC units for Nalco Holding Company common stock are exercisable following the date that is the later of the date on which any applicable lock-up period pursuant to the initial public offering of Nalco Holding Company terminates and the date that is six months and one day after June 30, 2004 in the case of class A units.
- Subject to the exercise of a call right, for so long as certain termination events (see the Management Members Agreements) have not occurred with respect to the Reporting Person, there is no expiration of the right to exchange Nalco LLC units for Nalco Holding Company common stock.
- (6) Not applicable.

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