

AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HESS WILLIAM H

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
 Symbol
**AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/
 [AMT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/04/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP, General Counsel

BOSTON, MA 02116

4. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
 Applicable Line)
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 Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| Class A Common Stock | 02/04/2005 | | J(1) | 98,973 A | 493,250 | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/04/2005 | | F | 27,390 D | \$ 18.03 465,860 | 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)

| 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| HESS WILLIAM H 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02116 | EVP, General Counsel |

Signatures

/s/ William H.
Hess 02/08/2005

__Signature of Date
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) As part of a compensatory arrangement for key employees, in October 2001, American Tower Corporation (the "Company") agreed to establish an employee stock option plan for its subsidiary, ATC Mexico Holding Corp. ("ATC Mexico"), and granted the optionees the right to require the Company to repurchase shares of common stock of ATC Mexico acquired by such optionees under certain circumstances. In October 2004, William H. Hess ("Hess") exercised this right, and the Company repurchased from Hess 144 shares of common stock of ATC Mexico. As previously reported, the Company issued 523,327 shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess and agreed to issue additional shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess, subject to ATC Mexico achieving certain performance criteria. On February 4, 2005, the Board determined that the criteria had been satisfied and approved the issuance of 98,973 shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess.

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