

ALBERTO CULVER CO

Form 4

October 03, 2005

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BERSCHIED JOHN R JR**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

31440 SOMERSET CIRCLE

(Street)

GREEN OAKS, IL 60048

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

ALBERTO CULVER CO [ACV]

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

10/01/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Group V-P, Global R &amp; D

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                           |                                                                                                                    |                                                                      | By 401(K)<br>Plan                                                 |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code V Amount (D) Price              |                                                                            | 2,668.57                                                                                                           | I                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                            | 1,042.85                                                                                                           | I                                                                    | By Profit<br>Sharing<br>Plan                                      |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                            | 6,831                                                                                                              | 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) |                 |              |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                                       | (A)                                                      | (D) | Date Exercisable                                              | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 44.4                                                | 10/01/2005                           |                                                    | A                              |                                                                                         | 15,000                                                   |     | <u>(1)</u>                                                    | 09/30/2015      | Common Stock | 15,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                      | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| BERSCHIED JOHN R JR<br>31440 SOMERSET CIRCLE<br>GREEN OAKS, IL 60048 | Group V-P, Global R & D          |

## Signatures

/James M. Spira/Attorney-in-fact for John R. Berschied, Jr. 10/03/2005

\_\_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).

(1) The option, which was granted under the Employee Stock Option Plan of 2003, vests in four equal annual installments beginning on September 30, 2006.

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