EMISPHERE TECHNOLOGIES INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

RACHESKY MARK H MD

EMISPHERE TECHNOLOGIES

(Check all applicable)

INC [EMIS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

05/16/2006

Other (specify Officer (give title below)

40 WEST 57TH STREET, 24TH

(First)

(Street)

FLOOR

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

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

(Instr. 4)

Person

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

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

6. Date Exercisable and 1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of Derivative Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionSecurities Acquired (A) or **Expiration Date** Conversion

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Ins	
	Derivative Security			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Exchange- able Secured Loan	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		D		\$ 3,036,203	01/30/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Exchange-able Secured Loan (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		D		\$ 415,208	01/30/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Exchange- able Secured Loan (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		D		\$ 3,303,638	01/30/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Exchange-able Secured Loan (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		D		\$ 8,322,868	01/30/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Convertible Note (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		C	\$ 3,062,968		05/16/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Convertible Note (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		C	\$ 418,868		05/16/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Convertible Note (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		C	\$ 3,332,761		05/16/2006	09/26/2012	Co S
Convertible Note (1)	\$ 3.78	05/16/2006		C	\$ 8,396,237		05/16/2006	09/26/2012	Co S

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RACHESKY MARK H MD 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X	X				
MHR ADVISORS LLC 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK,, NY 10019		X				
		X				

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MHR Capital Partners Master Account LP 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK., NY 10019

MHR Institutional Advisors II LLC 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR

NEW YORK,, NY 10019

MHR FUND MANAGEMENT LLC 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK,, NY 10019

X

X

Signatures

(2)

(3)

Mark H. Rachesky, MD 05/18/2006

**Signature of Reporting

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Commencing on January 30, 2006, the Reporting Persons became entitled to exchange a secured loan made to the Issuer into convertible notes of the Issuer on a dollar-for-dollar basis. This Form 4 is being filed to report the exchange of the secured loan for such convertible notes, which are convertible into shares of the Issuer's common stock. Due to the conversion provision with respect to the secured loan, accrued and unpaid interest on the secured loan was converted into additional principal on the Convertible Note.

Accordingly, additional shares of the Issuer's common stock are issuable upon the conversion of the convertible notes into shares of the Issuer's common stock.

These securities are, or were, as applicable, held for the account of MHR Capital Partners Master Account LP, an Anguilla, British West Indies limited partnership ("Master Account"). MHR Advisors LLC, a Delaware limited liabillity company ("Advisors"), is the general partner of Master Account. Mark H. Rachesky, M.D. ("Dr. Rachesky") is the managing member of Advisors. In such capacity, Dr. Rachesky may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities held for the account of Master Account. MHR Fund Management LLC ("Fund Management") is a Delaware limited liability company that has an investment management agreement with Master Account pursuant to which it has the power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of the Securities

These securities are, or were, as applicable, held for the account of MHR Capital Partners (100) LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Capital Partners (100)"). Advisors is the general partner of Capital Partners (100). Dr. Rachesky is the managing member of Advisors. In such capacity, Dr. Rachesky may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities held for the account of Capital Partners (100). Fund Management has an investment management agreement with Capital Partners (100) pursuant to which it has the power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of the Securities and, accordingly, Fund Management may be deemed to beneficially own the Securities held for the account of Capital Partners (100).

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These securities are, or were, as applicable, held for the account of MHR Institutional Partners II LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Institutional Partners II"). MHR Institutional Advisors II LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Institutional Advisors II"), is the general partner of Institutional Partners II. Dr. Rachesky is the managing member of Institutional Advisors II. In such capacity, Dr.

- (4) Rachesky may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities held for the account of Institutional Partners II. Fund Management has an investment management agreement with Institutional Partners II pursuant to which it has the power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of the Securities and, accordingly, Fund Management may be deemed to beneficially own the Securities held for the account of Institutional Partners II.
- (5) These securities are, or were, as applicable, held for the account of MHR Institutional Partners IIA LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Institutional Partners IIA"). Institutional Advisors II is the general partner of Institutional Partners IIA. Dr. Rachesky is the managing member of Institutional Advisors II. In such capacity, Dr. Rachesky may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities held for the account of Institutional Partners IIA. Fund Management has an investment management agreement with Institutional Partners IIA pursuant to which it has the power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of the Securities and, accordingly,

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Fund Management may be deemed to beneficially own the Securities held for the account fo Institutional Partnes IIA.

Remarks:

Remarks:

The filing of this statement shall not be deemed an admission that any of the Reporting Persons is the beneficial owner of any

Exhibit List:

Exhibit 99- Joint Filer Information

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