

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE

Form 4

May 25, 2006

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DESANTIS MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol

CHOICE HOTELS
INTERNATIONAL INC /DE [CHH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

10750 COLUMBIA PIKE

(Street)

SILVER SPRING, MD 20901

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/24/2006

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

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
Common Stock	05/24/2006		M	13,100 A	\$ 8.375 121,755.4	D	
Common Stock	05/24/2006		S	13,100 D	\$ 53.6811 108,655.4	D	
Common Stock	05/25/2006		M	5,900 A	\$ 8.375 114,555.4	D	
Common Stock	05/25/2006		S	5,900 D	\$ 53.4673 108,655.4	D	
					3,627	I	401 (k) Plan

Common
StockCommon
Stock

4,067

I

Non-Qualified
Plan

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	\$ 8.375	05/24/2006		M		13,100		<u>(3)</u>	02/07/2010	Common Stock	13,100
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.375	05/25/2006		M		5,900		<u>(3)</u>	02/07/2010	Common Stock	5,900

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
DESANTIS MICHAEL J 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE SILVER SPRING, MD 20901	SVP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary

Signatures

Michael J.
DeSantis 05/25/2006

**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) Average price reflects series of transactions between \$53.50 and \$53.99

(2) Average price reflects series of transactions between \$53.40 and \$53.50

(3) Options vest in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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