NORTHERN TRUST CORP

Form 4

October 31, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

WADDELL FREDERICK H

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1(b).

			NORTHERN TRUST CORP [NTRS]						(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)						Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify			
50 S. LA SALLE ST.			10/26/2005						below) below) EVP & President/C&IS			
	(Street) 4. If Amend					_	1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting I Form filed by More than One F Person												
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Early (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day		n Date, if	3. 4. Securi TransactionAcquired Code Disposed (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3,			(A) o of (D)	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	10/26/2005			G	V	1,261	D	\$0	108,207	I	By Trust	
Common Stock (1)									47,000	D		
Common Stock									370	I	UTMA-Son	
Common Stock									370	I	By Son	
Common Stock									864	D		

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Common Stock	14,475	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	27,475 <u>(2)</u>	I	401(k)

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. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	5. In Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WADDELL FREDERICK H 50 S. LA SALLE ST. CHICAGO, IL 60675			EVP & President/C&IS					

Signatures

Eileen C. Ratzka POA for Frederick H. 10/31/2005

**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) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (2) as of 9/30/2005

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