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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,4 and 5) |
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| | | | Code | V | (A) |
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| Option to Purchase | \$7.25 | 12/17/01 | M | | 20 |

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| 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
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| Class A Common Stock | 20,000 | 55,000 | D | |
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Explanation of Responses:

/s/ William R. Brooks

1/4/02

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line of each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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*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) .

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.