

Nalco Holding CO
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FRIEDMAN RICHARD A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO., 85 BROAD STREET

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Nalco Holding CO [NLC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/17/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	08/17/2005		S	7,418,604	D 18.41 (4)	14,702,701	I See Footnotes (1) (2) (3)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRIEDMAN RICHARD A C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK, NY 10154	X			

Signatures

/s/ Ted Chang, Attorney-in-fact 08/19/2005

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 Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein as indirectly owned except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any.

On August 17, 2005, a registered public offering of 29,000,000 shares of Nalco Holding Company (the "Company") common stock (the "Common Stock") was completed. Nalco LLC (the selling stockholder) received all proceeds from this offering. The 14,702,701 shares reported herein as indirectly beneficially owned are beneficially owned directly by Nalco LLC and reflects the GS Funds indirect beneficial ownership in the Company based on the membership interest in Nalco LLC held by certain entities of which affiliates of GS Group are the general partner, managing general partner, managing partner, manager or investment manager. The membership interests in Nalco LLC are held by affiliates of the GS Group, The Blackstone Group L.P. and Apollo Management, L.P., as well as certain members of management of the Company.
 - (3) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of Common Stock in excess of their pecuniary interest, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such person is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.
 - (4) Represents price to public in an underwritten public offering.

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