TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(City)

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See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HERTEL GEOFFREY M | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|--|--|-----|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 25025 INTERSTATE 45 NORTH, SUITE 600 (Street) | | | TETRA TECHNOLOGIES INC [TTI] | (Check all applicable) | | |
| | | ` ' | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/19/2005 | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO | | |
| | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

(State)

(Zip)

| Table I - Non-Derivative | Securities Acquired | . Disposed of, or | Beneficially Owned |
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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|------------|---|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Disponent Code (Instr. 3 | | rities Acquired (A) osed of (D) 3, 4 and 5) (A) or | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common | 00/10/2005 | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | D | |
| Stock | 09/19/2005 | | M | 86,400 | A | \$ 9.5022 | 165,874 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | | M | 50,000 | A | \$ 6.5555 | 215,874 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | | S | 19,700 | D | \$ 29.5 | 196,174 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | | S | 7,700 | D | \$ 29.51 | 188,474 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | | S | 6,600 | D | \$ 29.52 | 181,874 | D | |

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| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 8,400 | D | \$ 29.53 | 173,474 | D | |
|-----------------|------------|---|--------|---|---------------|---------|---|-------------------|
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 9,800 | D | \$ 29.54 | 163,674 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 7,600 | D | \$ 29.55 | 156,074 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 200 | D | \$ 29.56 | 155,874 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 3,300 | D | \$ 29.59 | 152,574 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 42,600 | D | \$ 29.6 | 109,974 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 30,300 | D | \$ 29.7 | 79,674 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | S | 200 | D | \$ 29.71 | 79,474 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | M | 4,196 | A | \$ 11.1111 | 83,670 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | M | 8,598 | A | \$ 11.1111 | 92,268 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/19/2005 | M | 17,064 | A | \$ 3.3889 | 109,332 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 14,597 | I | by 401(k) 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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of orDerivative | 6. Date Exercise Expiration Da | | 7. Title and Underlying | |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | | (Instr. 3 and | 4) |
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number |

Code V (A)

(D)

of Share

(9-02)

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| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.5022 | 09/19/2005 | M | 86,400 | 08/25/2003 | 08/25/2006 | Common Stock | 86,400 |
|--|------------|------------|---|--------|------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 6.5555 | 09/19/2005 | M | 50,000 | 01/09/2001 | 01/09/2011 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 11.1111 | 09/19/2005 | M | 4,196 | 03/09/2004 | 03/09/2007 | Common Stock | 4,196 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 11.1111 | 09/19/2005 | M | 8,598 | 08/15/2005 | 08/15/2008 | Common Stock | 8,598 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 3.3889 | 09/19/2005 | M | 17,064 | 01/18/2001 | 01/18/2010 | Common Stock | 17,064 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| . 0 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| HERTEL GEOFFREY M 25025 INTERSTATE 45 NORTH SUITE 600 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380 | X | | President & CEO | | | | |

Signatures

Eileen M. Price, AIF for Geoffrey M. Hertel

**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).

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