

CARRIAGE SERVICES INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 STEDMAN STUART W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2727 ALLEN PARKWAY, STE. 480
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/04/2005

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

HOUSTON, TX 77019

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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	05/04/2005		M	50,000 A	\$ 1.5625 129,522	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	6,000 A	\$ 4.5 135,522	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	6,000 A	\$ 3.6 141,522	D	
Common Stock	05/04/2005		M	6,000 A	\$ 4.95 147,522	D	
Common Stock	05/05/2005		S	5,000 D	\$ 6.0244 142,522	D	
					314,709	I	Various

Common
Stock

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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)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Stock Option	\$ 1.5625	05/04/2005		C	50,000		12/22/2003	12/22/2010	Common Stock 50,000
Stock Option	\$ 4.5	05/04/2005		C	6,000		05/07/2002	05/07/2012	Common Stock 6,000
Stock Option	\$ 3.6	05/04/2005		C	6,000		05/13/2003	05/13/2013	Common Stock 6,000
Stock Option	\$ 4.95	05/04/2005		C	6,000		05/18/2004	05/18/2014	Common Stock 6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STEDMAN STUART W
2727 ALLEN PARKWAY, STE. 480 X
HOUSTON, TX 77019

Signatures

Stuart W.
Stedman 05/05/2005

**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) (1) Table II, Column 8 is blank because the transaction was an exercise of a derivative security.

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