#### BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC

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### FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FAWCETT GAYLE P			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [(BHL)]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last) 24 NORTH S	(First) TREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2005	Director 10% Owner SVP of Subsidiary Bank
	(Street)		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
PITTSFIELD, MA 01201				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-De	erivative :	Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactions Code ( (Instr. 8)	or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4		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	08/01/2005		S 3	3,157	D \$ 33.7548	7,183	D	
Common Stock						2,864	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock						3,431	I	By ESOP
Common Stock						1,227	I	By Stock Award (1)
Common Stock						8,916	I	By Stock Award II

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Common Stock	1,000	I	By Stock Award III
Common Stock	2,055	I	By Stock Award IV

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

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 16.75					01/30/2002(5)	01/30/2011	Common Stock	10,23
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 22.3					01/30/2004(6)	01/30/2013	Common Stock	9,652
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 37.8					01/30/2006	01/30/2014	Common Stock	2,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FAWCETT GAYLE P							
24 NORTH STREET			SVP of Subsidiary Bank				
PITTSFIELD, MA 01201							

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Fawcett, Gayle P. 08/01/2005

\*\*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) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2001 Stock-Based Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2002.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2001 Stock-Based Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2004.
- (3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan will vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2005.
- (4) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2006.
- (5) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2001 Stock-Based Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2002.
- (6) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2001 Stock-Based Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2004.

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