

Rowsey Michael D
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 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)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Rowsey Michael D</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED,Â 150 PIERCE ROAD</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>ITASCA,Â ILÂ 60143</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>10/29/2004</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>OFFICEMAX INC [OMX]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) President-Contract</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	31,485	D	Â
Common Stock	1,200	I	By Trust ⁽¹⁾
Preferred Stock	103.9271	I	By ESOP Trust ⁽²⁾

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	07/27/2001	07/28/2010	Common Stock	9,600	\$ 27.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	07/26/2002	07/27/2011	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 35.6	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	07/24/2003	07/25/2012	Common Stock	11,700	\$ 27.76	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rowsey Michael D OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED 150 PIERCE ROAD ITASCA, IL 60143	Â	Â	Â President-Contract	Â

Signatures

Michael D.
Rowsey

11/02/2004

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Held by Rowsey Investment Trust, Cynthia S. Rowsey, Trustee.

(2) Represents number of shares beneficially owned as of October 29, 2004, based on information from the plan administrator.

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