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(Print or Type	e Responses)									
MERLO LARRY J Syn			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CVS CORP [CVS]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			Date of Earliest	Transactio	n		(Check all applicable)			
ONE CVS	Month/Day/Year) 3/08/2005				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President					
WOONSC	-				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
	(State)	(Zip)					Person			
(City)	. ,		Table I - Nor			-	ired, Disposed of		-	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code	4. Securit oror Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	ies Ownership Indirect cially Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership ing or Indirect (Instr. 4) ed (I) ction(s) (Instr. 4)		
G			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/08/2005		M <u>(1)</u>	30,000	А	\$ 23	45,749 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock	03/08/2005		M <u>(1)</u>	53,702	А	\$ 16.7223 (1)	99,451 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock	03/10/2005		S	83,702	D	\$ 52.618	15,749 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock							162,832 <u>(3)</u>	Ι	By Trust as Beneficiary	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of actionDerivative Securities 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 16.7223	03/08/2005		M <u>(1)</u>		53,702	05/14/1998	05/14/2006	Common Stock	53,702
Stock Option	\$ 23	03/08/2005		M <u>(1)</u>		30,000	02/17/2000	02/17/2007	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting o when reality read on	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MERLO LARRY J ONE CVS DRIVE WOONSOCKET, RI 02895-			Executive Vice President					
Signatures								

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**Signature of

Reporting Person

03/10/2005 Larry J Merlo

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) Cash exercise funded by Insider.
- (2) Includes shares acquired pursuant to issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Includes dividend reinvestment shares acquired during the course of the year.

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