GENUINE PARTS CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRINCE LARRY L | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENUINE PARTS CO [GPC] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|--|-------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (Last) (First) (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | X Director 10% Owner | | |
| SUNTRUST BANKS INC, PO BOX 4418 MC 643 | | | 11/18/2004 | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | CA 20202 | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | |

ATLANTA, GA 30302

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tak | ole I - Non- | l, 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or TransactiorDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | | 5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2004 | | Code V M | Amount 90,000 | (D) | Price \$ 26.375 | 335,136 <u>(1)</u> | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2004 | | M | 156,471 | A | \$ 32.4375 | 491,607 <u>(1)</u> | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2004 | | M | 40,000 | A | \$ 34.6875 | 531,607 (1) | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2004 | | F | 238,345 | D | \$ 43.565 | 293,262 (1) | D | |

Person

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | Secur Acqu Dispo | * | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|---|---|---|--|------------------------|---------|---------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 26.375 | 11/18/2004 | | M | | 90,000 | 03/20/1996 | 03/20/2005 | Common Stock | 90,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy | \$ 32.4375 | 11/18/2004 | | M | | 156,471 | 04/19/2000 | 04/19/2009 | Common Stock | 156,47 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy | \$ 34.6875 | 11/18/2004 | | M | | 40,000 | 06/26/1998 | 06/26/2007 | Common Stock | 40,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| reporting o where remains a read resident | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| PRINCE LARRY L SUNTRUST BANKS INC PO BOX 4418 MC 643 ATLANTA, GA 30302 | X | | Chairman | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| Carol Yancey Attorney in Fact | 11/1 | 9/2004 | | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | I | Date | | | | | | |

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- * 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) Includes 1,733 shares acquired through Genuine Partnership Plan (401-K)

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