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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 Re	esponses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> GILLIS RUTH ANN M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol POTLATCH CORP [PCH]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
				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 Form filed by More than One Reporting 		
SPOKANE,	WA 99201						Person	wore than One R	eporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deer (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/I		Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Reminder: Repo	rt on a separate line	e for each cla	ass of sec	urities bene	-	-	-		
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration	7. Title and Amo
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Date	Underlying Secur
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

number.

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Mont	th/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	Acquire Dispose (Instr. 3 5)	d of (D)				
				Code Y	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sha
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 52.12 (1)	09/30/2005		А	282.4	94	01/01/2014(2)	01/31/2014(2)	Common Stock	28

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GILLIS RUTH ANN M 601 W. RIVERSIDE AVE. SUITE 1100 SPOKANE, WA 99201	Х					
Signatures						
Malcolm A. Ryerse, Attorney-in-Fact	10/04/2005					
**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).

Phantom stock units are credited to the reporting person's account on the transaction date in accordance with the provisions of the (1) Potlatch Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and will be converted to cash and paid on a 1-for-1 basis with the issuer's common stock.

Phantom stock units will be converted to cash and paid on the date previously elected by the reporting person in accordance with the (2)provisions of the Potlatch Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors.

Phantom stock unit beneficial ownership total includes phantom stock allocated to the reporting person's Deferred Compensation Account (3) since the reporting person's last report. Phantom stock allocations in this report include meeting attendance fees, a quarterly dividend and quarterly retainer fees ranging from \$52.12 to \$57.80 per share.

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