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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **COULTER CHAD** Issuer Symbol **DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP**

INC/DE [DFG]

(Middle)

(Check all applicable)

C/O DELPHI CAPITAL

(First)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2006

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title . below) VP, Secy & Gen Counsel

MANAGEMENT, INC., 590 MADISON AVENUE 30TH FL

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) saction Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (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)			
Class A Common Stock	05/05/2006		Code V M	Amount 9,700	(D)	Price \$ 19.6667	11,510	D			
Class A Common Stock	05/05/2006		S	9,700	D	\$ 53.14	1,810	D			
Class A Common Stock	05/05/2006		M	15,300	A	\$ 20.8333	17,110	D			

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Class A

Common 05/05/2006 S 15,300 D \$53.14 1,810 D

Stock

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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)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.6667	05/05/2006		M	9,700	01/11/2000	01/11/2010	Class A Common Stock	9,70
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.8333	05/05/2006		M	15,300	09/20/2000(2)	09/20/2009	Class A Common Stock	15,3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COULTER CHAD C/O DELPHI CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 590 MADISON AVENUE 30TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10022

VP, Secy & Gen Counsel

Signatures

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**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) Not applicable.
- (2) The options vested in five equal annual installments beginning on September 20, 2000.

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