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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable or Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form (Direct or Indirect) (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|-----|---|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
| Common Stock | | 12/13/02 | | A | | 17(1) | | | | Common Stock | 17(1) | \$34.23 | 643(1)(2) | I |
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Explanation of Responses:

- Share numbers are rounded.
- Investments in the SSP (International Paper Salaried Savings Plan) and DCSP (International Paper Deferred Compensation Savings Plan) are in a unitized fund of shares and cash. The investment in the DCSP operates similar to the SSP company stock fund, and the number of units will vary as the price of the Issuer's common stock varies.

/s/ John E. Walendzik

December 17, 2002

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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