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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *				2.	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
					HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC [ HIW ]									Director	,		% Owner	
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)									_ X _ Officer (g VP, CFO & 7			Other (speci	fy below)
C/O HIGHV INC., 3100 S SUITE 600							3	/31	/200:	5								
	(Str	eet)		4.	If A	mendme	nt, Dat	e Or	riginal	File	ed (MM/I	DD/YYY	Y) 6	5. Individual o	or Joint/G	roup Filing	(Check Appl	licable Line)
RALEIGH, NC 27604 (City) (State) (Zip)														X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
			Table I	- Non-Dei	riva	tive Seci	urities	Acq	uired	, Dis	sposed	of, or F	Benef	ficially Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Trans. Date	Exe	Deemed cution e, if any	3. Trans (Instr. 8	Trans. Code (nstr. 8)		4. Securities Acquor Disposed of (Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		<b>D</b> )	Foll	amount of Securit owing Reported 1 tr. 3 and 4)	urities Beneficially Owned ed Transaction(s)		Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	;	V A	Amour	(A) o	Price						(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 3/31/200					)5				5	5139	A	<u>(1)</u>		26348		D		
Common Stock 3/31/200									3	3426	A	<u>(1)</u>		29774			D	
Common Stock 3/31/200					A 3426 A (1) 33200					D								
	Tab	le II - Der	ivative S	Securities 1	Ben									ptions, conve	rtible sec	urities)		
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deem Execution Date, if an	n Code	Derivative		e Securities Ex (A) or of (D)			ate Exercisable and ration Date		7. Title and A Securities Un Derivative S (Instr. 3 and		derlying curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned	Form of Derivative Security:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(I	(D) Date Exerc		Expiration Sable Date		Title	]	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Stock Options (right to buy) (2)	\$26.27 (3)	3/31/2005		A		71429			<u>(4)</u>	2	2/29/2012	Comm stock	-	71429	<u>(5)</u>	71429	D	
Phantom Stock	<u>(7)</u>	3/31/2005		A		3582.91	1	1	1/31/201	11	1/31/2011	Comm		3582.91	\$22.53	3582.91	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Restricted stock is granted by the Company and not purchased by the reporting person.
- (2) Stock option grant was approved 03/31/2005. Vesting is based on 03/01/2005.
- (3) The exercise price is an average of the stock's closing price during a 10-day period prior to the grant date.
- (4) Option vests ratably on the first through fourth anniversaries of grant date.
- (5) Stock options are granted by the Company and not purchased by the reporting person.
- (6) Pursuant to issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan adopted under its 1994 Stock Option Plan.
- (7) Security converts to cash price of common stock on a one-for-one basis.

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
STEVENS TERRY L C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC. 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604			VP, CFO & Treasurer					

### **Signatures**

Cynthia M. Latvala for, Terry L. Stevens

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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