WATERS CORP /DE/

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ORNELL JOHN A | | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WATERS CORP /DE/ [WAT] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) | (First) (M | 3. Date o (Month/I 12/08/2 | • | Director | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify | | |
| | (Street) | | endment, Date Original nth/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 Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Z | Zip) Tabl | le I - Non-Derivative Securities A | equired, Disposed | of, or Beneficia | ally 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 TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | | | | 2,200 | I | By Daughters | |
| Common Stock | | | | 6,377.42 | I | By 401K plan | |
| Common Stock | | | | 4,272 | I | By ESPP | |
| Common Stock | | | | 4 | D | | |

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 | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | TransactionDerivative Expiration Date Under Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Inst | | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|------------------|---|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| | Security | | | | (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 47.12 | 12/08/2004 | 12/08/2004 | A | 50,000 | 12/08/2005(1) | 12/08/2014 | Common Stock | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| ORNELL JOHN A | | | | | |
| | | | CFO | | |

Signatures

Ornell John 12/08/2004

**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) Options vest 20% per annum for a 5 year period commencing on 12/08/2005

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