FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFIC	IAL OWNERSHIP

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WHETZEL CHARLES E JR						CARTERS INC [ CRI ]									ck all applic	cable)	10% Owner title Other (speci		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CARTER'S, INC., THE PROSCENIUM, 1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE, SUITE 900						ate of 12/20		st Tran	saction (N	Month	n/Day/Year)	X	below)			low)	, I		
(Street)	(Street) ATLANTA GA 30309						4. If Amendment, Date of 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				
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)										Person						
		Tak	ole I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	es Ac	quired	l, Di	sposed	of, or B	enefic	cially	Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securit Disposed	es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ct C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	ount (A) or (D)		9	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(,
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,500	D	\$29	.5101	466	5,020	D	$\perp$	
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$2	9.51	465	5,020	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$2	9.49	464	1,020	D	$\perp$	
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		500	D	\$29	.4801	463	3,520	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	\$2	9.37	463	3,320	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,100	D	\$2	9.36	462	2,220	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$2	9.34	461	1,920	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,300	D	\$2	9.33	460	),620	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$2	9.32	459	9,620	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$2	9.29	459	9,320	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		700	D	\$2	9.28	458	3,620	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$2	9.27	458	3,320	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		328	D	\$2	9.25	457	7,992	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		372	D	\$2	9.24	457	7,620	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	\$2	9.21	457	7,420	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		100	D	\$2	9.09	457	7,320	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		100	D	\$2	9.08	457	7,220	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	\$2	9.07	457	7,020	D		
Common	Stock			10/12/	2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,200	D	\$2	9.04	455	5,820	D		
Common Stock			10/12/2006				S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$2	\$29.03		455,520					
Common Stock			10/12/2006					S <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	) D	1	S29	445	5,520	D			
			Table II								oosed o				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	conversion r Exercise (Month/Day/Year) rice of erivative				tion				ercis	able and	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		int	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Ins	(D) irect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha	er					

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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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 (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$22.01							(2)	05/13/2015	Common Stock	60,000		60,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.08							(3)	08/15/2011	Common Stock	389,688		389,688	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effectuated pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 2, 2006.
- $2. \ These \ options \ are \ time \ options \ exercisable \ in \ four \ equal \ installments \ beginning \ on \ May \ 13, \ 2006.$
- 3. These options are all exercisable.

/s/ Charles E. Whetzel, Jr. 10/16/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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