MICROSTRATEGY INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SAYLOR MICHAEL J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	MICROSTRATEGY INC [MSTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)
C/O MICRO			(Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2004	X DirectorX 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO

INTERNATIONAL DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative	Securities Acquir	ed. Disposed of, o	or Beneficially Own

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired ior(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		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)	
G1 4			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(,		
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004		M	10,000	A	\$ 20.69	10,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004		S	1,800	D	\$ 66.38	8,200 (1)	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004		S	100	D	\$ 66.39	8,100	D	
Class A	12/07/2004		S	800	D	\$ 66.4	7,300	D	

Common Stock							
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	200	D	\$ 66.41	7,100	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	100	D	\$ 66.42	7,000	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	1,500	D	\$ 66.46	5,500	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	800	D	\$ 66.53	4,700	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	700	D	\$ 66.54	4,000	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	100	D	\$ 66.55	3,900	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	100	D	\$ 66.58	3,800	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	300	D	\$ 66.59	3,500	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	900	D	\$ 66.65	2,600	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 66.66	1,600	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	200	D	\$ 66.67	1,400	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	200	D	\$ 66.71	1,200	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	200	D	\$ 66.72	1,000	D
Class A Common Stock	12/07/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 66.75	0	D

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Class A			Shares
Common	882	I	owned by
Stock			LLC (2)

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 Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities		erivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) equired (A) Disposed of (b) nstr. 3, 4,		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)	\$ 20.69	12/07/2004		M		10,000	02/08/2004(3)	02/08/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SAYLOR MICHAEL J C/O MICROSTRATEGY INCORPORATED 1861 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22102	X	X	Chairman and CEO			

Signatures

W. Ming Shao, As Attorney-in-Fact, Individually and as the Sole Member of Alcantara LLC

**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).

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- Separate open market sale transactions that were executed on December 7, 2004 at the same price have been reported on an aggregate
- (1) basis on a single line in Table I. The order in which sale transactions are set forth in Table I is not necessarily reflective of the sequence in which the sale transactions occurred in fact.
- These shares are owned directly by Alcantara LLC (the "LLC"), and indirectly by Michael J. Saylor as the sole member of the LLC. The (2) LLC's address is the same as Mr. Saylor's address. The LLC has designated Mr. Saylor as the designated filer. Mr. Saylor is an officer, director and ten percent owner of the issuer.
 - The 10,000 shares exercised on 12/07/2004 were among a total of 82,000 shares that vested on 02/08/2004 pursuant to this stock option.
- (3) The remaining 328,000 shares subject to the stock option vest in four equal annual installments beginning on 02/08/2005. This stock option expires on 02/08/2013.
- (4) See Exhibit A.

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