

NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SANFORD JAMES L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ [NOC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1840 CENTURY PARK EAST
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/24/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Corp. VP & Treasurer

LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (A) or (D) | 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 | 02/24/2006 | | M | 6,000 | A | \$ 40.25 41,670 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2006 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 49.57 46,670 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2006 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 44.06 51,670 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2006 | | M | 4,100 | A | \$ 39.28 55,770 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2006 | | F | 13,204 | D | \$ 65.93 42,566 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |

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Common Stock 02/24/2006 F 2,462 D \$ 65.93 40,104 ⁽¹⁾ 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 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 40.25 | 02/24/2006 | | M | 6,000 | 12/17/1998 12/17/2006 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 65.93 | 02/24/2006 | | A | 4,497 | 08/24/2006 12/17/2006 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 49.57 | 02/24/2006 | | M | 5,000 | 12/16/2000 12/16/2008 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 65.93 | 02/24/2006 | | A | 4,202 | 08/24/2006 12/16/2008 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 44.06 | 02/24/2006 | | M | 5,000 | 12/16/2000 12/16/2008 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 65.93 | 02/24/2006 | | A | 3,933 | 08/24/2006 12/16/2008 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 39.28 | 02/24/2006 | | M | 4,100 | 08/15/2002 08/15/2011 | Common Stock |
| Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) | \$ 65.93 | 02/24/2006 | | A | 3,034 | 08/24/2006 08/15/2011 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| | | | Corp. VP & Treasurer | |

SANFORD JAMES L
1840 CENTURY PARK EAST
LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

Signatures

/s/ Kathleen M. Salmas, Attorney-in-fact for James L.
Sanford

02/27/2006

__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) Total includes 5,000 unvested Restricted Performance Stock Rights (RPSRs) granted under the 2001 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan (LTISP) on 8/20/03, with the valuation of performance measurement period ("measurement period") ending on 12/31/06; 6,000 unvested RPSRs granted under the 2001 LTISP on 2/28/05 with the measurement period ending on 12/31/07; and 8,000 unvested RPSRs granted under the 2001 LTISP on 2/15/06 with the measurement period ending 12/31/08. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

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