

McCarthy Michael
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
McCarthy Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

55 EXECUTIVE DRIVE

(Street)

HUDSON, NH 03051

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PRESSTEK INC /DE/ [PRST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/21/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Sr. Vice President-Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/21/2006		M		10,000	A	\$ 8.02
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S		10,000	D	\$ 11.5947

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.02	02/21/2006		M	10,000	12/31/2005 ⁽¹⁾ 02/11/2015	Common Stock 10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
McCarthy Michael 55 EXECUTIVE DRIVE HUDSON, NH 03051	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Sr. Vice President-Operations

Signatures

/s/ Michael McCarthy 02/23/2006

__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) These options were part of a grant of 100,000 options made to the reporting person on February 11, 2005. When granted, the options were scheduled to vest as follows: 50,000 on June 30, 2005, 16,667 on June 30, 2006, 16,667 on June 30, 2007 and 16,666 on June 30, 2008. On December 13, 2005, the Board of Directors of the Issuer voted to vest, effective as of December 31, 2005, all unvested outstanding options held by employees, officers, directors and consultants, including the options described herein.

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