ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RATHGEBER JOHN F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD

[ACGL]

(Check all applicable)

Officer of subsidiary

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner _X_ Other (specify Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2005

below) below)

C/O ARCH REINSURANCE COMPANY, 55 MADISON **AVENUE**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MORRISTOWN, NJ 07962

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

Reported

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

per share

Shares, \$01 02/20/2005 par value

F 348 D

18,750

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | | 7. Title | | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber | | Expiration D | ate Amou | | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secur |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Derivative | | e | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
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| | | | | | | Date Expiration Exercisable Date | Expiration | Title | or | | |
| | | | | | | | * | | Number | | |
| | | | | | | | Date | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RATHGEBER JOHN F C/O ARCH REINSURANCE COMPANY 55 MADISON AVENUE MORRISTOWN, NJ 07962

Officer of subsidiary

Signatures

/s/ John F. 02/22/2005 Rathgeber

Date **Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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