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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JOYCE WILLIAM H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

CVS CORP [CVS]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

ONE CVS DRIVE 12/22/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

WOONSOCKET, RI 02895-

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of 4. 5. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivative Security or Exercise Code of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative (Instr. 5)

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	Derivative				Secu	rities					
	Security				Acquired						
					(A) c	r					
					Disp	osed					
					of (D))					
					(Inst	r. 3,					
					4, an	d 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date	Expiration	Title	Amount	
							Exercisable	Date		or	
										Number	
										of	
										Shares	
Share	\$ 0	12/22/2004	A(1)		22		(2)	(2)	Common	22	\$ 0
Credits	4 0	,,					_	_	Stock		7 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Transfer de la companya de la compan	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
JOYCE WILLIAM H ONE CVS DRIVE WOONSOCKET, RI 02895-	X							

Signatures

William H Joyce 12/23/2004

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Consists of share credits acquired as deferred annual grant, semi-annual compensation and/or meeting fees all at market price pursuant to the 1997 Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (2) Consists of Deferred Stock Compensation payable pursuant to Insider's election.

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