FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Rowsey Michael D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OFFICEMAX INC [OMX]									heck all ap Dire	olicable) ctor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 150 PIERCE ROAD							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2005								X belo			er (specify w)	
(Street) ITASCA IL 60143 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2005									6. Lir	ne) X Forr Forr	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	lly Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				d Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect			
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(1130.4)		
Common Stock 03/16/							2005		A		24,930 A		\$0) 5	56,415				
	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)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			ransaction of Derivat Securit Acquire (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)		rative rities ired r osed)	6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Expirati			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Matthew R. Broad, Attorney-in-fact

03/22/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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