

SEITEL INC  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Smith Garis C		(Month/Day/Year)	SEITEL INC [SELA]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
10811 S. WESTVIEW CIRCLE		05/23/2005	(Check all applicable)	
DRIVE,Â BUILDING C, STE.			_____ Director _____ 10% Owner	
100			___X___ Officer _____ Other	
(Street)			(give title below) (specify below)	
HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77043			President - Olympic Seismic	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share <sup>(1)</sup>	48,000	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Smith Garis C 10811 S. WESTVIEW CIRCLE DRIVE BUILDING C, STE. 100 HOUSTON, TX 77043	Â	Â	Â President - Olympic Seismic	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Garis C. Smith by /s/ Marcia H. Kendrick	06/01/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- On February 15, 2005, the reporting person was granted 48,000 restricted shares of Seitel's common stock, par value \$.01 per share.
- (1) One-third of the restricted stock vests one year from the date of grant, an additional one-third vests two years from date of grant, and the remaining one-third vests three years from the date of grant.

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