LIFETIME BRANDS, INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PHILLIPS CRAIG

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LIFETIME BRANDS, INC [LCUT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2006

(Check all applicable) _X__ Director 10% Owner

below)

C/O LIFETIME BRANDS, INC. ONE MERRICK AVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Sr VP Distrbn, Secretary, Dir 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

X_ Officer (give title

Person

below)

WESTBURY, NY 11590

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

(A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Employee Stock Common (1) 05/02/2016 \$ 29.96 05/02/2006 16,000 16,000 Option A Stock (right to buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PHILLIPS CRAIG
C/O LIFETIME BRANDS, INC
ONE MERRICK AVE
WESTBURY, NY 11590

Relationships

Other

Str VP Distrbn, Secretary, Dir

Signatures

Craig Phillips 05/04/2006

**Signature of Person 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) The options vest 20 percent per year over five years.
- (2) Field intentionally left blank in accordance with the instuctions to Form 4.

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