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Form 4
Transactions

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

MELLON HBV ALTERNATIVE sy			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SEITEL INC [SELA.OB]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			nent for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended 'Day/Year) 2005				(Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
			endment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)			(6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)				
	K, NY 10166-					_	_X_ Form Filed by (Form Filed by M Person	One Reporting Pe More than One Re			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-Der	ivative Sec	urities	s Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit (A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	06/03/2005	Â	P4	19,500	A	\$ 1.4	21,499,983	I	See footnote (2)		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.			•						SEC 2270 (9-02)		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
	·				(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
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						Exercisable	Date		Number	
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Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MELLON HBV ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES LLC 200 PARK AVE NEW YORK, NY 10166-3399	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/ William F. Harley, 02/27/2006 III, CEO

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) This reports a ppurchase in June 2005 of Issuer's Common Stock not previously disclosed on Form 4.
- The Reporting Person serves as investment advisor and agent for Mellon HBV Master Global Event Driven Fund LP, Mellon HBV (2) Master Rediscovered Opportunties Fund LP, Axis RDO Ltd, Mellon MBV Master US Event Driven Funds LP. Ther Reporting Person exercises voting and dispository power over all such shares.

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