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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

A Spivy Gregory P

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/01/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SEITEL INC [SELA]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

435 PACIFIC AVENUE, FOURTH FLOOR

(Street)

X Director Officer

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN FRANCISCO. CAÂ 94133

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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)

Exercisable

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date **Expiration Title** Date

Amount or Number of

Shares

Security: Security Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Spivy Gregory P

435 PACIFIC AVENUE, FOURTH FLOOR Â X Â Â

SAN FRANCISCO, CAÂ 94133

Signatures

/s/ Gregory P. Spivy, Partner, VA Partners, LLC

03/02/2006

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * 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).

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