KRAKOWER IRA J

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Common

Stock (1)

01/06/2006

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A KRAKOWI	ddress of Reporting F ER IRA J	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEXCEL CORP /DE/ [HXL]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (M	liddle) 3. Date of	Earliest Ti	ransaction	(ene	on all applicable	•)		
	Month/Day/Your (Month/Day/Your District Corporation, 281 01/06/2006 CRESSER BLVD.				Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President				
	(Street)	4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
STAMFOR	Filed(Mor	Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Common 39,460 01/06/2006 F 5,726 D Stock (2)

M

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

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Reported

45,186

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

D

D

(A)

(D)

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Price

\$0

Amount

16,166

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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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units (3)	<u>(4)</u>	01/06/2006		M	9,840	01/06/2006	01/06/2006	Common Stock	9,840
Restricted Stock Units (3)	<u>(4)</u>	01/06/2006		M	4,299	01/06/2006	01/06/2007	Common Stock	4,299
Restricted Stock Units (3)	<u>(4)</u>	01/06/2006		M	2,027	01/06/2006	01/06/2008	Common Stock	2,027

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KRAKOWER IRA J HEXCEL CORPORATION 281 TRESSER BLVD. STAMFORD, CT 06901

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/Ira J. Krakower by Seth L. Kaplan,
Attorney-in-fact
01/10/2006

**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) The Common Stock was acquired upon the conversion of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") in accordance with the terms of the underlying agreement. The RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt from under Rule 16b.
- (2) The Common Stock was withheld as payment of tax withholding required upon conversion of RSUs.
- (3) These RSUs were granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b. Upon vesting, RSUs are converted into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock that are distributed to the grantee.

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RSUs granted in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b. The RSUs vest and convert into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock

(4) in equal installments on the first three anniversaries from the grant date. Vesting of the RSUs is also subject to certain acceleration and termination provisions.

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