

LYDALL INC /DE/
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|---------|----------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |
| Â ATWELL IAN | | | (Month/Day/Year) | LYDALL INC /DE/ [LDL] |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 07/21/2005 | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |
| C/O LYDALL, INC.,Â ONE COLONIAL ROAD | | | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | | |
| MANCHESTER,Â CTÂ 06045-0151 | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | |

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer ___ Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Director of Internal Audit

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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 (401k) | 138.5193 ⁽²⁾ | 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 Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of | | | |

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| | | | | Shares | | (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|----------------------|----------|-------------------|---|
| Option to Buy | 10/22/2004 | 10/21/2013 | Common Stock | 1,000 ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 11.46 | D | Â |
| Option to Buy | 12/08/2005 | 12/07/2014 | Common Stock | 1,000 ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 11.08 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ATWELL IAN C/O LYDALL, INC. ONE COLONIAL ROAD MANCHESTER, CT 06045-0151 | Â | Â | Â Director of Internal Audit | Â |

Signatures

David A. Jacoboski, attorney-in-fact for Ian Atwell 07/29/2005

**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).
- (1) Employee Stock Option granted under the Lydall 2003 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan. Option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning one year from initial grant date.
- (2) The reporting person has acquired 138.5193 shares through the Company's 401(k) Plan as of 7/21/2005.

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