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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMIS Washington, D.C. 20549						OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287			
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obligations may contir <i>See</i> Instruc 1(b).	s Section 1'	7(a) of the		lity Holdi	ng Com	pany	Act of	1935 or Section	1		
(Print or Type Re	esponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u></u> GAULT JAMES S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol				-	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO [AJG]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2006					Director10% Owner XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below)			
CO., TWO P	IERCE PLAC	E	0 11 001 20					V IG	ce President		
				mendment, Date Original /onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ITASCA, IL	60143							Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of,	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execu any		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/03/2006			F <u>(1)</u>	2,407	D	\$ 27.81	32,572	D		
Common Stock								28,000	I	by Spouse (2)	
Common Stock								55,195	I	by Trust	
Common Stock (restricted)								3,333	D		

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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 (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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.25					<u>(3)</u>	08/30/2008	Common Stock	8,00	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.5					<u>(3)</u>	06/20/2010	Common Stock	20,0	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.7					<u>(3)</u>	07/21/2012	Common Stock	25,0	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.9					01/01/2004(3)	07/16/2013	Common Stock	35,0	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.5					<u>(3)</u>	07/19/2011	Common Stock	20,00	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.25					<u>(3)</u>	07/20/2015	Common Stock	35,0	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42					<u>(3)</u>	07/21/2014	Common Stock	35,0	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GAULT JAMES S ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143			Vice President				
Signatures							
By: Douglas K. Howell For: James S Gault	•	04/04/2006					
<u>**</u> 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) Shares withheld to cover applicable taxes on restricted stock distribution.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4). This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is, for purposes of Section 16 or otherwise, the beneficial owner of such securities.
- (3) The stock option becomes exercisable 10% each year, commencing January 1 after the date of grant.

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