

INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GESTRICH THOMAS E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTERNATIONAL PAPER CO /NEW/ [IP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O INTERNATIONAL PAPER, 6400 POPLAR AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/11/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

MEMPHIS, TN 38197

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Units	(3)	12/11/2006	A		478 (1)		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	478 (1)	\$ 33.9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GESTRICH THOMAS E C/O INTERNATIONAL PAPER 6400 POPLAR AVENUE MEMPHIS, TN 38197			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Beth Murphree, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas E. Gestrich
 12/12/2006

__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) Share numbers are rounded.

(2) The International Paper Company Deferred Compensation Savings Plan (DCSP) is an unfunded deferred compensation plan. Deferrals are placed into various fund equivalents offered by the DCSP, including investments in common stock equivalents of International Paper (units).

(3) The units are converted to cash based on the stock price of International Paper's common stock at the time of conversion.

(4) Distributions from the DCSP are made when a participant retires, terminates employment, becomes permanently disabled or dies. All distributions are paid in cash.

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