

STORAGE TECHNOLOGY CORP
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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 *
 GASTON ROGER C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 STORAGE TECHNOLOGY CORP [STK]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 ONE STORAGETEK DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Corp. VP, Human Resources

LOUISVILLE, CO 80028
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2005 | | A | V | 14,549 | A | \$ 0.1 59,732.46 D |
| Common Stock | 02/10/2005 | | F | | 904 | D | \$ 31.25 58,828.46 D |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 31.79 | 02/08/2005 | | A | 33,065 | (1) 02/08/2015 | Common Stock | 33,065 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GASTON ROGER C ONE STORAGE TEK DRIVE LOUISVILLE, CO 80028 | | | Corp. VP, Human Resources | |

Signatures

Donald H. Kronenberg,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/10/2005

**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).
- All shares in this award will vest four years from the date of grant, except that the vesting of one-fourth of the shares in the award may be
- (1) accelerated on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant if StorageTek meets predetermined performance criteria, set by the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

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