

EWERS PATRICIA O

Form 4

April 28, 2005

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EWERS PATRICIA O

(Last) (First) (Middle)

FORTUNE BRANDS, INC., 300
TOWER PARKWAY

(Street)

LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO]

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

04/26/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
				Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125					5,564	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)**

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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.
Options (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 86.1	04/26/2005		A	2,500	03/26/2006 04/26/2015	Common	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EWERS PATRICIA O FORTUNE BRANDS, INC. 300 TOWER PARKWAY LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069	X			

Signatures

Angela M. Pla, Attorney-in-Fact for Patricia O.
Ewers

04/28/2005

 **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).
- (1) Reflects a grant of an option under the issuer's Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.

Remarks:

On April 26, 2005, Dr. Ewers received a grant of 2,500 options to purchase the issuer's common stock under the issuer's

2002 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan. As a result of this transaction, Dr. Ewers owns options to purchase 19,500

shares of the issuer's common stock; Dr. Ewers also owns 5,564 shares of the issuer's common stock.

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