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Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **EWERS PATRICIA O** Issuer Symbol FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify FORTUNE BRANDS, INC., 300 08/16/2005 below) TOWER PARKWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock, Par 6,264 D Value \$3.125

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. conNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.21 (1)					04/28/1999	04/28/2008	Common	2,099 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.99 (1)					04/28/2000	04/28/2009	Common	2,624 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.26 (1)					04/25/2001	04/25/2010	Common	2,624 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.21 (1)					04/24/2002	04/24/2011	Common	2,624 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 50.11 (1)					04/30/2003	04/30/2012	Common	2,624 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.23 (1)					03/29/2004	04/29/2013	Common	2,624 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 74.17 (1)					03/27/2005	04/27/2014	Common	2,624 (1)	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 82.03 (1)					03/26/2006	04/26/2015	Common	2,624 (1)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
EWERS PATRICIA O	X				
FORTUNE BRANDS, INC.					

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300 TOWER PARKWAY LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

Signatures

Mark A. Roche, Attorney-in-Fact for Patricia O.

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**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).
 - In connection with the spin-off of ACCO World Corporation (now know as ACCO Brands Corporation) on August 16, 2005,
- (1) anti-dilution adjustments were made to the outstanding options to preserve their pre-transaction values. Accordingly, the exercise price and number of options granted under the issuer's 1997 and 2002 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plans were adjusted.

Remarks:

On August 16, 2005, the issuer spun-off ACCO World Corporation (now known as ACCO Brands Corporation), its office pro Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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