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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **OMTVEDT CRAIG P**

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

FORTUNE BRANDS INC [FO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

09/27/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title

Other (specify Sr. VP and CFO

10% Owner

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

below)

LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

300 TOWER PARKWAY

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	l of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	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, Par Value \$3.125 per share					45,335	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$3.125 per share					2,503 (1)	I	By Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust

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)	ransactionDerivative ode Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 82.16	09/27/2005		A(2)	85,000		09/27/2006	09/27/2012	Common	85,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OMTVEDT CRAIG P 300 TOWER PARKWAY LINCOLNSHIRE, IL 60069

Sr. VP and CFO

Signatures

Mark A. Roche, Attorney-in-Fact for Craig P. Omtvedt

09/29/2005

**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) The number of shares reported as held by the Fortune Brands, Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportional beneficial interest in the common stock held in the Trust as of September 27, 2005.
- (2) Reflects the grant of options, together with related limited rights and tax withholding features under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans. The options vest in three equal installments beginning September 27, 2006.

Remarks:

On September 27, 2005, Mr. Omtvedt received a grant of options to purchase 85,000 shares of the issuer's common stock undo Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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