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FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FOSTER VINCE D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

1300 POST OAK BLVD., STE. 800 (Street)

05/10/2005

Officer (give title below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

Issuer

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired

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Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares

Α

6,000

Common

Stock

6,000

05/10/2005 05/10/2015

Reporting Owners

\$ 6.02

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

05/10/2005

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FOSTER VINCE D 1300 POST OAK BLVD., STE. 800 X HOUSTON, TX 77056

Signatures

Common

Stock

Vincent D. 04/08/2005 Foster

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Grant of stock options pursuant to our Director Compensation Plan

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