MILEY RICHARD L

Form 4

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

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1(b).

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1. Name and Ad MILEY RIC	*	ting Person *	Symbol		Ticker or Trading	Issuer	o of Reporting Per	son(s) to
			[STFC]	AUTOT	IIVAIVEIAL CORI	(Cl	heck all applicable	e)
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/Da	Earliest Tr	ansaction		10% give title Oth	
518 E. BRO	AD STREET	•	12/13/20	•		below)	below) Vice President	
	(Street)		4. If Amer	ndment, Da	te Original	6. Individual of	r Joint/Group Fili	ng(Check
			Filed(Mont	th/Day/Year		Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed b) by One Reporting Po	erson
COLUMBU	S, OH 43215					Form filed b Person	y More than One Ro	eporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	l of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction			3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	
Security	(Month/Day/)	(ear) Executi	on Date, if	Transacti	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ties Acc	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	nAcquired	(A) o	r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	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)
			Code V	A	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Shares without par value	12/13/2004		M <u>(1)</u>	3,375	A	\$ 5.5	100,650.61 (2)	D	

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transa	actio	5. Numbonof Deriva		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date		7. Title and A Underlying S	
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	s l l of	(Month/Day/Y		(Instr. 3 and	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) NQ	\$ 5.5	12/13/2004		M	V	3,375		03/01/1996	02/28/2005	Common shares	6,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MILEY RICHARD L 518 E. BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Vice President

Signatures

Richard L. Miley by John R. Lowther, attorney in fact pursuant to POA filed with Commission 3-10-95.

12/15/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- (1) field should be left blank, but due to a software defect, requires input.
 - Includes indirect holdings by spouse of 49,262.483 shares. Also includes the following acquisitions: 222.231 shares acquired in May 2004 through the State Auto Financial Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan; 19.134 shares acquired in June 2004 and 22.822
- (2) shares acquired in September 2004 under the dividend reinvestment feature of the State Auto Financial Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan; 0.367 shares acquired in June 2004 and 0.438 shares acquired in September 2004 under the State Auto Financial Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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