

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 4

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

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See Instruction
1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NEWCASTLE PARTNERS L P2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
HALLMARK FINANCIAL
SERVICES INC [HAF.EC]5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
300 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE
11103. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/06/2005____ Director ____X____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)(Street)
DALLAS, TX 752014. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
X Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
COMMON STOCK	06/06/2005		X	44,654,999	A \$ 0.9	67,883,268	D (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(9-02)**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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
SUBSCRIPTION RIGHTS (RIGHT TO BUY))	\$ 0.9	06/06/2005		X	23,228,269	04/29/2005	05/31/2005	COMMON STOCK
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 0.6875					<u>(3)</u>	12/31/2010	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NEWCASTLE PARTNERS L P 300 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1110 DALLAS, TX 75201		X		
NEWCASTLE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LP 300 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1110 DALLAS, TX 75201		X		
NEWCASTLE CAPITAL GROUP LLC 300 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1110 DALLAS, TX 75201		X		
SCHWARZ MARK E 300 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1110 DALLAS, TX 75201	X	X	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER; PRES.	

Signatures

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR EACH REPORTING PERSON

06/08/2005

 **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).

- NEWCASTLE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P. ("NCM") IS THE GENERAL PARTNER OF NEWCASTLE PARTNERS, L.P. ("NP"), NEWCASTLE CAPITAL GROUP, L.L.C. ("NCG") IS THE GENERAL PARTNER OF NCM, AND MARK E. SCHWARZ ("SCHWARZ") IS THE MANAGING MEMBER OF NCG. ACCORDINGLY, EACH OF NCM, NCG AND SCHWARZ MAY BE DEEMED TO BENEFICIALLY OWN THE SHARES DIRECTLY OWNED BY ANY OF THEM.
- (1) INCLUDES ALLOCABLE SHARE OF OVER-SUBSCRIPTION RIGHTS.
- (2) REPRESENTS DIRECTOR STOCK OPTIONS WHICH BECOME EXERCISABLE AS TO 12,500 SHARES ON EACH OF JANUARY 1, 2006 AND 2007.
- (3)

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