STERN PAUL G Form 4

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See Instruction 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 STERN PAUL G Issuer Symbol WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ [WHR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 13331 SIGNAL TREE LANE 12/15/2005 below) (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting POTOMAC, MD 20854 Person

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 8,227 D

Stock

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	<u>(1)</u>					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(2)</u>					(2)	(2)	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(3)</u>					(3)	(3)	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common	600
Phantom Stock under Non-Employee Dir. Stock Owner. Plan	<u>(6)</u>	12/15/2005		A(6)	32.38	<u>(6)</u>	(6)	Common	<u>(6)</u>
Stock Options	<u>(7)</u>					<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(8)</u>					(8)	(8)	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(9)</u>					<u>(9)</u>	(9)	Common	600
Stock Options	<u>(10)</u>					(10)	(10)	Common	1,589

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
STERN PAUL G 13331 SIGNAL TREE LANE POTOMAC, MD 20854	X					

Signatures

/s/ Robert T. Kenagy	12/16/2005			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date			

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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) Stock option awarded on 4/20/93 at the option price of \$44.50 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- (2) Stock option awarded on 4/19/94 at the option price of \$48.94 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- (3) Stock option awarded on 4/16/96 at the option price of \$50.27 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- (4) Stock option awarded on 4/28/98 at the option price of \$50.92 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- (5) Stock option awarded on 4/20/99 at the option price of \$61.75 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- Grant of 32.38 phantom shares of common stock ("dividend equivalents") based on original grant of 3,157 phantom shares deferred under the Nonemployee Director Stock Ownership Plan. This grant of deferred compensation is payable upon retirement from the Board of Directors. As of 12/15/05, 6,368.23 total phantom shares deferred, which includes dividend equivalents earned in phantom restricted stock.
- (7) Stock option awarded on 4/18/00 at the option price of \$46.21 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- (8) Stock option awarded on 4/15/03 at the option price of \$64.69 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- (9) Stock options awarded on 4/20/04 at the option price of \$50.98 per share. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the fifth anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director.
- Stock option awarded on 04/19/05 at the option price of \$64.73 per share under the Nonemployee Director Equity Plan. All shares are currently exercisable and will expire either 20 years from the award date or the second anniversary of the date the Director ceases being a Director

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