

Von Thae Lewis
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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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 *
 Von Thae Lewis
 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/02/2005
 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP [GD]
 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE
 (Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Vice president

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042
 (City) (State) (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, \$1.00 par value | 2,614 | D | À |
| Common Stock, \$1.00 par value | 926.6835 | I | 401(k) Plan |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form of | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------|
| Stock Options | 03/06/2003 | 03/05/2007 | Common Stock | 2,370 | \$ 93.92 | D | Â |
| Stock Options | 03/06/2004 | 03/05/2007 | Common Stock | 2,370 | \$ 93.92 | D | Â |
| Stock Options | 03/05/2005 | 03/04/2008 | Common Stock | 3,850 | \$ 56.95 | D | Â |
| Stock Options | 03/03/2005 | 03/02/2009 | Common Stock | 2,690 | \$ 91.34 | D | Â |
| Stock Options | 03/03/2006 | 03/02/2009 | Common Stock | 2,690 | \$ 91.34 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Von Thae Lewis
C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION
2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Â Â Â Vice president Â

Signatures

Lewis F. Von
Thaer 03/03/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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