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(Print or Type	Responses)								
1. Name and A Stevens Cra	Address of Reporting aig B	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOWATER INC [BOW]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)				Date of Earliest Transaction (Ch			eck all applicable)		
55 EAST C	AMPERDOWN		/Day/Year) 2006			Director X Officer (gives below) VP-BusPerf		% Owner her (specify &Lumber	
CDEENVI	d(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C			One Reporting P	vint/Group Filing(Check One Reporting Person fore than One Reporting				
	LLE, SC 29601					Person			
(City)	(State)					cquired, Disposed		-	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactior Code	4. Securit Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D) 4 and 5)	Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A)or(D) Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Reminder: Re	port on a separate line	e for each class of se	curities benefi	icially own	ned directly of	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 26.35	05/10/2006(1)		А	6,471	01/01/2008	01/01/2008	Common Stock	6,471
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	05/10/2006(1)		А	985	01/24/2009	01/24/2009	Common Stock	985
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	05/10/2006 <u>(1)</u>		A	3,800	01/24/2009	05/10/2016	Common Stock	3,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
I. S.	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Stevens Craig B 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY GREENVILLE, SC 29601			VP-BusPerform-C&S Pulp&Lumber			
Signatures						
William A. McCormick, Attorney-in-Fact		05/12/200	6			

**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).
- (1) Approved by the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors on January 24, 2006, subject to shareholder approval of the 2006 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan. Shareholders approved the plan on May 10, 2006.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Bowater Incorporated common stock.

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