

SOTHEBYS
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SHERIDAN WILLIAM S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SOTHEBYS [BID]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1334 YORK AVENUE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & CFO

NEW YORK, NY 10021

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(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)			
			Code	V	Amount or Price					
Common Stock	12/07/2006		M		10,500	A	Ⓛ	113,590 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S		100	D	\$ 31.76	113,490 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S		400	D	\$ 31.77	113,090 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S		1,500	D	\$ 31.79	111,590 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S		200	D	\$ 31.8	111,390 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾

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Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	100	D	\$ 31.84	111,290 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	1,800	D	\$ 31.87	109,490 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	200	D	\$ 31.88	109,290 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	500	D	\$ 31.89	108,790 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	2,200	D	\$ 31.9	106,590 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	2,300	D	\$ 31.91	104,290 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	600	D	\$ 31.92	103,690 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	500	D	\$ 31.93	103,190 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/07/2006	S	100	D	\$ 31.94	103,090 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽²⁾	By Wife ⁽²⁾

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)

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 and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option-Right to Buy ⁽³⁾	\$ 18.875	12/07/2006		M	10,500	⁽⁴⁾	02/24/2010	Common Stock	10,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SHERIDAN WILLIAM S 1334 YORK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021			EVP & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ William Sheridan 12/08/2006

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) Not Applicable
- (2) Mr. Sheridan directly owns 103,090 shares of common stock, of this amount 94,098 shares are unvested restricted stock.
- (3) Granted under the Issuer's 1997 Stock Option Plan
- (4) 2,500 stock options became exercisable on each of the following: 2/24/01, 2/24/02, 2/24/03, 2/24/04 and 2/24/05.

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