GIFFIN GORDON D

Form 4

September 29, 2006

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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Security

(Instr. 3)

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GIFFIN GORDON D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BOWATER INC [BOW]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

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

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY

(Street)

09/27/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

GREENVILLE, SC 29601

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year) 4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V Expiration Title (A) (D) Date Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Restricted Common Stock (1) 09/27/2006 808.32 (2) (2)808.32 A Stock Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY X

GREENVILLE, SC 29601

Signatures

William A. McCormick, Attorney-in-Fact 09/28/2006

**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) Each Restricted Stock Unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Bowater Incorporated Common Stock.
- Conversion of benefits under the Company's Retirement Plan for Outside Directors into Restricted Stock Units under the Company's

 (2) Outside Directors' Stock-Based Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"). These Restricted Stock Units will be settled in cash at the time the reporting person ceases to be a director.

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