

Rodman Christopher  
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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)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Rodman Christopher</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>ONE WHITEHALL STREET</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW YORK, NY 10004-2109</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>01/12/2005</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>TOPPS CO INC [TOPP]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>(give title below) (specify below)</p> <p>V.P. - Topps Europe</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

<p>1. Title of Security</p> <p>(Instr. 4)</p>	<p>2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned</p> <p>(Instr. 4)</p>	<p>3. Ownership Form:</p> <p>Direct (D) or Indirect (I)</p> <p>(Instr. 5)</p>	<p>4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership</p> <p>(Instr. 5)</p>
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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)**

<p>1. Title of Derivative Security</p> <p>(Instr. 4)</p>	<p>2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>Date Exercisable      Expiration Date</p>	<p>3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security</p> <p>(Instr. 4)</p> <p>Title      Amount or Number of Shares</p>	<p>4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</p>	<p>5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:</p> <p>Direct (D) or Indirect (I)</p> <p>(Instr. 5)</p>	<p>6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership</p> <p>(Instr. 5)</p>
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Stock Option	09/24/2002	09/24/2009	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 7.3125	D	Â
Stock Option	06/08/2003	06/08/2010	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 9.375	D	Â
Stock Option	06/28/2004	06/28/2011	Common Stock	3,938	\$ 10.29	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rodman Christopher ONE WHITEHALL STREET NEW YORK, NY 10004-2109	Â	Â	Â V.P. - Topps Europe	Â

## Signatures

Christopher Rodman 01/25/2005

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

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