

TAICLET JAMES D JR
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 *
TAICLET JAMES D JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ [AMT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/10/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President and CEO

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/10/2004 | | M | | 87,500 A \$ 1.07 | 95,500 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/10/2004 | | S | | 87,500 D \$ 17.25 | 8,000 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/10/2004 | | M | | 62,500 A \$ 3.04 | 70,500 | D |
| Class A Common | 12/10/2004 | | S | | 62,500 D \$ 17.25 | 8,000 | D |

Stock

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 | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | | Acquired (A) | or Disposed of (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | |
| Option to purchase Class A Common Stock | \$ 1.07 | 12/10/2004 | | M | V | (A) 87,500 | (D) | (1) 10/04/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 87,500 |
| Option to purchase Class A Common Stock | \$ 3.04 | 12/10/2004 | | M | V | (A) 62,500 | (D) | (2) 12/09/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 62,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TAICLET JAMES D JR 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02116 | X | | Chairman, President and CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ William H. Hess, as attorney-in-fact
12/14/2004

__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) This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning October 4, 2003.

(2) This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning December 9, 2003.

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