DEFEO RONALD M

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **DEFEO RONALD M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

UNITED RENTALS INC /DE [URI]

03/02/2005

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O UNITED RENTALS. INC.. FIVE GREENWICH OFFICE

(Street)

PARK

Security

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4)

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

Reported (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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(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Derivative Conversion

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		r)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 19.76	03/02/2005		A	3,000	03/02/2005(1)	03/02/2015	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DEFEO RONALD M C/O UNITED RENTALS, INC. FIVE GREENWICH OFFICE PARK GREENWICH, CT 06830



Signatures

Ronald M. 03/02/2005 DeFeo

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).

Sale of the shares of common stock underlying the options is restricted under the terms of a lock-up agreement between the optionee and (1) the issuer. This restriction will be lifted on a cumulative basis with respect to one-third of the shares on each of the first three anniversary dates of the grant.

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