UNITED RENTALS INC /DE

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

TSAI GERALD JR

Symbol

UNITED RENTALS INC /DE [URI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

03/02/2005

(Month/Day/Year) X_ Director

10% Owner Officer (give title 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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

Beneficially

Owned

below)

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

(Instr. 8)

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

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

(A)

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following (Instr. 4) Reported

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.

(Month/Day/Year)

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(Instr. 4)

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

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

4. 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 (Month, Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
			Code V	(A) ((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

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TSAI GERALD JR C/O UNITED RENTALS, INC. FIVE GREENWICH OFFICE PARK GREENWICH, CT 06830



Signatures

Gerald Tsai, Jr. 03/02/2005

**Signature of 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).

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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