

AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HESS WILLIAM H

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)
02/04/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, General Counsel

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Stock	02/04/2005		J ⁽¹⁾		98,973	A	\$ 493,250
Class A Common Stock	02/04/2005		F		27,390	D	\$ 18.03

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HESS WILLIAM H 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02116			EVP, General Counsel	

Signatures

/s/ William H.
Hess 02/08/2005

**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) As part of a compensatory arrangement for key employees, in October 2001, American Tower Corporation (the "Company") agreed to establish an employee stock option plan for its subsidiary, ATC Mexico Holding Corp. ("ATC Mexico"), and granted the optionees the right to require the Company to repurchase shares of common stock of ATC Mexico acquired by such optionees under certain circumstances. In October 2004, William H. Hess ("Hess") exercised this right, and the Company repurchased from Hess 144 shares of common stock of ATC Mexico. As previously reported, the Company issued 523,327 shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess and agreed to issue additional shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess, subject to ATC Mexico achieving certain performance criteria. On February 4, 2005, the Board determined that the criteria had been satisfied and approved the issuance of 98,973 shares of Class A Common Stock to Hess.

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