

GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC
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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 *
 RICHARDS ALLAN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC [GAP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2 PARAGON DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/25/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SR. VICE PRES, HR, LABOR, LEGAL

MONTVALE, NJ 07645
 (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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/25/2008		A	29,497 A \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	29,497 ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2008		S	9,630 D \$ 27.09	19,867	D	

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 Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				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
RICHARDS ALLAN 2 PARAGON DRIVE MONTVALE, NJ 07645			SR. VICE PRES, HR, LABOR, LEGAL	

Signatures

Joan Roensch, Attorney in fact for Allan Richards
Date: 02/27/2008

__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) The award was a grant for which no consideration was paid.
- (2) The acquisition represents the vesting of 1/3 of an original grant of 88,489 restricted stock units, which can only be settled in stock. One third lapsed in 2007 and the remaining third will vest on 3/1/09.
- (3) The shares in the total amount represent RSUs granted to Mr. Richards in 2005 under the Company's 1998 Long Term Incentive and Share Award Plan and can only be settled in stock.

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