CELADON GROUP INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addre RUSSELL STE	•	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			CELADON GROUP INC [CLDN]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
ONE CELADON DRIVE, 9503 EAST 33RD ST		2, 9503	(Month/Day/Year) 10/28/2004	_X_ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46235-4207			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly 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)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	I (A) o I of (D 4 and (A) or) 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/24/2004		Code V G	Amount 7,350 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	435,422	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2004		G	100 (2)	D	\$0	435,322	D	
Common Stock							32,000	I	By spouse (3)

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. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	5. Number Derivative Securities Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) ed of	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securitie
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 19.45	10/28/2004		A		35,000		<u>(4)</u>	10/28/2014	Common Stock	35,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
RUSSELL STEPHEN								
ONE CELADON DRIVE	X		Chairman & CEO					
9503 EAST 33RD ST	Λ		Chairman & CEO					
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46235-4207								

Signatures

/s/ Stephen Russell, by Heidi Hornung-Scherr, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to POA previously filed with SEC

02/28/2005

**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) Gifts to third parties, voluntary early report on Form 4.
- (2) Gift to third party, voluntary early report on Form 4.
- The reporting person disclaims ownership of the securities shown as being held by the reporting person's spouse and this report shall not (3) be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose. The reporting person's spouse owned these shares prior to her marriage to the reporting person.
- Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") issuable pursuant to a grant of 35,000 SARs issued October 28, 2004. The SARs vest in annual 25% (4) increments of 8,750 units on the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of the grant. Vesting is contingent upon the achievement of certain annual financial goals.

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