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

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GALTNEY WILLIAM F JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

EVEREST RE GROUP LTD [RE]

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

THE GALTNEY GROUP, INC., 820 02/14/2006 GESSNER, SUITE 1000

(State)

(First)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

(Zip)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77024-4259

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr. 8)	Omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	(A) or (D)	Price	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 Shares	02/14/2006		M	2,216	A	\$ 22.5625	5,948	D	
Common Shares	02/14/2006		S	2,216	D	\$ 99.6366	3,732	D	

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 22.5625	02/14/2006		M	2,216	<u>(1)</u>	03/12/2006	Common Shares	2,216

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GALTNEY WILLIAM F JR THE GALTNEY GROUP, INC. 820 GESSNER, SUITE 1000 HOUSTON, TX 77024-4259	X					

Signatures

Sanjoy Mukherjee (Attorney in Fact) 02/15/2005

**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) The option vested in two equal installments on March 12, 1997 and 1998.
- (2) In addition, the reporting person indirectly owns 69,000 common shares through Galtney Family Investors, Ltd.

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