#### TALK AMERICA HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **BATTISTA GABRIEL** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

TALK AMERICA HOLDINGS INC [TALK]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O TALK AMERICA HOLDINGS, 12/28/2005

INC., 6805 ROUTE 202

(Street)

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

NEW HOPE, PA 18938

(State) (Zip) (City)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) 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.

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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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		·)	(Instr. 3 and 4	4)
				Code V	(A) (E	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 8.86	12/28/2005		A	15,000	12/28/2006(1)	12/28/2015	Common Stock	15,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**BATTISTA GABRIEL** C/O TALK AMERICA HOLDINGS, INC. 6805 ROUTE 202 NEW HOPE, PA 18938

## **Signatures**

/s/ Aloysius T. Lawn IV, attorney-in-fact for Gabriel 12/28/2005 **Battista** 

> \*\*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).
- Vesting/exercisable in one-third increments on the first, second and third anniversary of December 28, 2005. **(1)**

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