METRIS COMPANIES INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HARKINS DAVID V

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Middle)

(Zip)

METRIS COMPANIES INC [MXT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, 05/11/2005 L.P., 100 FEDERAL STREET,

(Street)

(State)

35TH FLOOR

(City)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BOSTON, MA 02110

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

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

Common 05/11/2005 Stock (1)

2,500 A

2,500

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)

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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HARKINS DAVID V C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P. 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02110



Signatures

/s/ David V. Harkins

05/13/2005

**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).
- The common stock is restricted and vests on May 11, 2006. The restricted common stock was granted pursuant to the Metris Companies Inc. Long-Term Incentive and Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3(d).

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