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FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES INC Form 4 January 20, 2005 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ESPOSITO MICHAEL P JR Issuer Symbol FOREST CITY ENTERPRISES INC (Check all applicable) [FCEA/FCEB] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1221 AVENUE OF THE 01/18/2005 AMERICAS (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 YORK, NY 10020-1001 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A S 01/18/2005 $A^{(1)}$ V 5.289 $D_{(1)}$ Α 1,505.013 56.71 Common Class A 01/18/2005 A⁽¹⁾ V 1.855 544.054 D⁽²⁾ A Common 58.46 Class A Common D (3) 25,500 Stock Class A Common D (4) 12,450 Stock

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
2001 Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 28.533					03/08/2003 <u>(5)</u>	03/08/2011	Class A Common	10,800
2003 Stock Option Grant (right to buy)	\$ 31					03/17/2005 <u>(6)</u>	03/17/2013	Class A Common	10,800
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 <u>(9)</u>					08/08/1988(7)	08/08/1988 <u>(8)</u>	Class A Common	2,624.3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ESPOSITO MICHAEL P JR 1221 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10020-1001	Х					

Signatures

Geralyn M. Presti, Attorney-In-Fact for Michael P. Esposito, Jr.

01/20/2005

**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) Held in a Dividend Reinvestment Account (DRIP). Recieved dividend; updated to reflect current holdings.
- (2) Shares which were aquired under the Forest City Enterprises, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Updated to add dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Held Direct in Mr. Esposito's name in an account at Smith Barney, Paramus, NJ. Updating to show total holdings.
- (4) Held in an account at Smith Barney Sarasota, FL. Updating to show total holdings.
- (5) 2001 Stock Option Grant Exercise Price \$28.533 25% exercisable 3/08/2003; 25% exercisable 3/08/2004; 50% exercisable 3/08/2005 Class A Common Stock Total shares 10,800 Held Direct.
- (6) 2003 Stock Option Grant: 25% exercisable 3/17/2005; 25% exercisable 3/17/2006; 50% exercisable 3/17/2007.
- (7) Exercisable at retirement, termination, death or disability.
- (8) No present expiration date
- (9) Phantom Stock 1-for-1 Deferred compensation plan contributing \$3,125 after each board of director's meeting.

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