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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GRUBE CRAIG A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES INC [PRAA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 120 CORPOR 100	(First) ATE BLVD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/25/2007	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Executive VP - Acquisitions		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
NORFOLK, VA 23502				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	0.4/9.5/0.005		Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Stock	04/25/2007		M <u>(1)</u>	9,200	A	\$ 13	42,725	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2007		S(1)	7,100	D	\$ 52.13	35,625	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	4,600	D	\$ 53.5	31,025	D	
Common Stock	04/25/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	2,500	D	\$ 55	28,525	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Nı	umber	6. Date Exercis	sable and	7. Title and A	Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction Derivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Secu	rities	(Month/Day/Y	ear)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acqı	uired				
	Derivative				(A) (or				
	Security				Disp	osed of				
					(D)					
					(Inst	r. 3, 4,				
				and 5)						
							Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Date		of Shares
Stock Options (right to	\$ 13	04/25/2007		X <u>(1)</u>		9,200	11/07/2006	11/07/2009	Common stock	9,200
buy)										

Reporting Owners

Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GRUBE CRAIG A 120 CORPORATE BLVD SUITE 100 NORFOLK, VA 23502

Executive VP - Acquisitions

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Craig A. 04/26/2007
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**Signature of 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 exercise of stock options and sale of shares is pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan beginning in November 2006 and ending in May 2007. There are still shares remaining to be exercised/sold under the plan.

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