Morris William			
Form 3			
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FORM 3	UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION	OMB AI	PPROVAL
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	INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES	Expires:	January 31, 2005
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Morris William		 Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 	^g 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOWATER INC [BOW]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/26/2005	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
55 EAST CA WAY	MPERDO	JWN		(Check all applicable)				
GREENVILI	(Street) LE, SCÂ	29601				low)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - I	Non-Deriva	tive Securit	ies Be	eneficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indirect Beneficial ership . 5)	
Common Sto	ck		3,714.57		Ι	401 ((K) Plan	
Common Stock 1,980				D	Â			
-	Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly SEC 1473 (7-02)							

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
Security	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/17/2006	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 34.875	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/22/2007	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 41.875	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/27/2008	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 48.9688	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/25/2010	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 48	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/30/2011	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 51.93	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/29/2012	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 47.025	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/28/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 40.74	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	01/27/2005(2)	01/27/2014	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 45.02	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	01/25/2006(2)	01/25/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 37.295	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(<u>3)</u>	01/26/2009	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 41.0313	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(<u>3)</u>	02/22/2009	Common Stock	1,000	\$ 39.78	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	(<u>3)</u>	05/10/2010	Common Stock	21,200	\$ 54.84	D	Â
Phantom Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	464.2978	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Morris William 55 EAST CAMPERDOWN WAY GREENVILLE, SC 29601	Â	Â	VP & Pres Coated Paper Div	Â	

Signatures

William Morris 02/02/2005

Date

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These options are all exercisable.
- (2) One half of the options are/were exercisable on the noted date and the remaining half are exercisable one year later unless the exercisability is accelerated by the committee administering the Plan.
- (3) These rights are all exercisable.

These phantom stock units were allocated under the Company's Compensatory Benefits Plan (the "Plan") and will be settled (on a 1-for-1 basis) upon the reporting person's retirement, death, disability, or other termination of employment. Units included in column 9 that represent an increase from the last report filed by the reporting person and are not otherwise accounted for by a transaction on this form

(4) represent an increase from the last report filed by the reporting person and are not otherwise accounted for by a transaction on this form were allocated under the Plan as of 12/31/04. Additional securities may have accrued to the reporting person's account since that date. The account is subject to revision in order to comply with requirements respecting nondiscrimination standards and limitations on contributions under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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