ALTRIA GROUP INC

Form 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading NOTO LUCIO A Issuer Symbol ALTRIA GROUP INC [MO] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 120 PARK AVENUE 12/15/2004 below) (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 10017 Person

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	ΓransactionAcquired (A) or		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
						Reported		
					(A)	Transaction(s)		
			C 1 W		or	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
~			Code V	Amount	(D) Price			
Common						15,747 (1)	D	
Stock						13,747 <u></u>	Ъ	
Common						15,935	I (2)	By Wife
Stock						15,755	1	by wife

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.		5. Nui	mber	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	8. Price
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction of Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		Derivativ				
Security	or Exercise		any	Code		Deriva	ative	(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8)	Securi	ities					(Instr. 5)
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								Date	Expiration	Title	Number	
								Exercisable	Date		of	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares	
701												
Phantom						141			.=.	Common		\$ 60.13
Stock	<u>(3)</u>	12/15/2004		Α		<u>(4)</u>		(5)	(5)		141	(6)
Units						<u>(1)</u>				Stock		(0)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
NOTO LUCIO A 120 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017	X							

Signatures

G. Penn Holsenbeck for Lucio A.
Noto

12/17/2004

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Includes (i) 6,716 shares held by reporting person, (ii) 2,238 shares held jointly with spouse, (iii) 1,072 shares held in an IRA, and (iv) 5,721 deferred share equivalents held in the 2000 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) Phantom stock units convert to common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (4) These units were acquired on December 15, 2004 pursuant to the deferred fee program of the Altria 1992 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (5) These units are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's termination as a member of the issuer's board of directors.
- (6) The average of the high and low price of Altria Group, Inc. Common Stock on December 15, 2004.
- This is an increase of 141 share equivalents since October 29, 2004, the date deferred compensation was last reported to the SEC. The total includes share equivalents acquired under the deferred fee program of the Altria 1992 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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