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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement FRANKLIN UNIVERSAL TRUST [FT] Gray Steven J (Month/Day/Year) 10/17/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) FRANKLIN TEMPLETON (Check all applicable) INVESTMENTS, ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY 10% Owner Director (Street) _X_ Officer _ Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Secretary _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person SAN Form filed by More than One MATEO, CAÂ 94403-1906 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Shares of Beneficial Interest 0 D

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

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

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Security Direct (D)

Exercisable Date Number of Shares (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gray Steven J

FRANKLIN TEMPLETON INVESTMENTS ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY

SAN MATEO, CAÂ 94403-1906

Signatures

/s/STEVEN J.
GRAY

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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