

GARTNER INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
LAFOND CHRISTOPHER

(Last) (First) (Middle)

56 TOP GALLANT ROAD, P.O.
BOX 10212

(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06904-2212

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GARTNER INC [IT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
CFO & EVP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | | | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | |
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | | | |
| Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 14.44 | 03/15/2006 | A | | 144,000 | | 05/15/2007 ⁽¹⁾ | 05/15/2013 | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0.0005 | 03/15/2006 | J | V | 48,000 ⁽²⁾ | | ⁽²⁾ | ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAFOND CHRISTOPHER 56 TOP GALLANT ROAD P.O. BOX 10212 STAMFORD, CT 06904-2212 | | | CFO & EVP | |

Signatures

/s/ Kevin Feeney for Christopher Lafond
03/17/2006

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) The option becomes exercisable in four substantially equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of vesting, 5/15/06. The RSUs vest in four equal annual installments, beginning on May 15, 2007. The actual number of RSUs granted depends upon the achievement of certain targets set by the Compensation Committee for Gartner's 2006 Total Sales Bookings for its Research segment.
- (2) The actual number of RSUs may be between 0% and 200% of the target number depending on whether and the extent to which the targets are achieved.

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