YOUNG WILLIAM N III

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

05/06/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * YOUNG WILLIAM N III			Symbol		Ticker or Trading PLORATION CO	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1200 SMITH	(First) (M	iddle) E 800	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2005			DirectorX Officer (give below) Vice Pr	ve title 0th below) resident - Marke	er (specify	
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77002			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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	: I - Non-Do	erivative Securities Acc		of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution any		med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Code V Amount

1,500

A

or

(D)

Price

\$0

(1)

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

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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1,500

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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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.05	05/06/2005		A	8,000	05/06/2005(2)	05/06/2012	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

YOUNG WILLIAM N III 1200 SMITH STREET SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Vice President - Marketing

Signatures

William N.
Young, III

**Signature of Date

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) Not applicable.
- (2) Options vested 20% on May 6, 2005, the grant date, and will vest in 20% increments on each anniversary of the grant date.

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