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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 * GRUBE CRAIG A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES INC [PRAA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) 120 CORPOR	(First) ATE BLVD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2005	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive VP - Acquisitions
	(Street)		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
NORFOLK, VA 23502				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-E	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/01/2005		S(1)	2,096	D	\$ 32.5	99,358	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2005		S(1)	2,096	D	\$ 32.6	97,262	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2005		S(1)	2,139	D	\$ 32.7	95,123	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2005		S(1)	177	D	\$ 32.75	94,946	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2005		S(1)	43	D	\$ 32.76	94,903	D	

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Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	642	D	\$ 32.8	94,261	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	385	D	\$ 32.82	93,876	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	298	D	\$ 32.85	93,578	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	417	D	\$ 33	93,161	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	42	D	\$ 33.41	93,119	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	86	D	\$ 33.42	93,033	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	86	D	\$ 33.43	92,947	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	171	D	\$ 33.44	92,776	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	43	D	\$ 33.45	92,733	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	86	D	\$ 33.49	92,647	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	171	D	\$ 33.51	92,476	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	128	D	\$ 33.52	92,348	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	86	D	\$ 33.53	92,262	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	722	D	\$ 33.55	91,540	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	335	D	\$ 33.56	91,205	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	170	D	\$ 33.58	91,035	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	43	D	\$ 33.6	90,992	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	171	D	\$ 33.61	90,821	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	556	D	\$ 33.62	90,265	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	85	D	\$ 33.64	90,180	D
	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	44	D		90,136	D

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Common Stock					\$ 33.71		
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	43	D	\$ 33.8	90,093	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	171	D	\$ 33.81	89,922	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S(1)	256	D	\$ 33.91	89,666	D
Common Stock	04/01/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	43	D	\$ 33.93	89,623	D

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GRUBE CRAIG A								
120 CORPORATE BLVD			Executive VP -					
SUITE 100			Acquisitions					
NORFOLK, VA 23502								

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/s/ Craig A. 04/05/2005 Grube

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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) These sales are persuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan. The plan allows for maximum sales of 50,000 during 2005. There are 13,400 shares remaining to be sold under the plan.

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