

AMERITRADE HOLDING CORP  
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 \*  
RICKETTS J PETER

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMERITRADE HOLDING CORP  
[AMTD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

4211 SOUTH 102ND STREET

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Street)

OMAHA, NE 68127

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	09/15/2005		M <sup>(1)</sup>		29,900	A	\$ 16.75	1,179,397	D	
Common Stock	09/15/2005		M <sup>(1)</sup>		100,000	A	\$ 10	1,279,397	D	
Common Stock	09/15/2005		S		129,900	D	\$ 21.205	1,149,497	D	
Common Stock								35,510	I	By his children (2)
Common Stock								464,624	I	By trust (3)

Common Stock	4,664,073	I	By annuity trusts <sup>(4)</sup>
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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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 16.75	09/15/2005		M <sup>(5)</sup>	29,900	<u>(6)</u>		11/26/2005		Common Stock	29,900
Stock Options	\$ 10	09/15/2005		M <sup>(5)</sup>	100,000	<u>(6)</u>		11/26/2005		Common Stock	100,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other
RICKETTS J PETER 4211 SOUTH 102ND STREET OMAHA, NE 68127	X

## Signatures

/s/ Nancy McCabe as attorney-in-fact for J. Peter Ricketts 09/19/2005

\*\*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) Shares received upon exercise of Stock Options.
- (2) Shares are held by trusts created for Mr. Ricketts' children.
- (3)

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Shares are held by Mr. Ricketts in his capacity as trustee of the Marlene M. Ricketts 1999 Irrevocable Trust f/b/o J. Peter Ricketts of which trust Mr. Ricketts is sole beneficiary.

Shares are held by the Marlene M. Ricketts 2002-1 Qualified Annuity Trust, the Marlene M. Ricketts 2003-1 Qualified Annuity Trust, the

(4) Marlene M. Ricketts 2004-1 Qualified Annuity Trust and the Marlene M. Ricketts 2004-2 Qualified Annuity Trust, for which Mr. Ricketts is Co-Trustee and his mother is sole beneficiary.

(5) Exercise of Stock Options.

(6) 25% are exercisable each year over a four year period.

(7) Reflects stock options granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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