

Dir Rodney D
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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 *
Dir Rodney D

(Last) (First) (Middle)
201 EAST FOURTH STREET
(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CINCINNATI BELL INC [CBB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/28/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X 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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2006 | | F | 4,462 | \$ 4.135 | D | |

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)

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| 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Option to Buy <u>(1)</u> | \$ 4.51 | | | | | 07/11/2006 ⁽²⁾ 07/11/2015 | Common Stock | 200,000 |
| Option to Buy <u>(1)</u> | \$ 3.995 | | | | | 12/01/2005 ⁽³⁾ 12/01/2015 | Common Stock | 100,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Dir Rodney D 201 EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

Christopher J. Wilson, Attorney-in-fact for Rodney D. Dir 03/01/2006

__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) Option shares granted under the Cincinnati Bell Inc. 1997 Long Term Incentive Plan which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.
- (2) Options have a 3 year vesting schedule: 28% one year from grant date and 3% for each of the remaining 24 months. Options expire ten years from grant date.
- (3) Options vest upon grant. Options granted on December 1, 2005 are fully vested upon grant. Shares purchased upon exercise of such options are subject to sale restrictions until the reporting person terminates employment with the Company as follows: 28% of shares purchased may be sold on or after December 1, 2006. Thereafter, an additional 3% of shares purchased per month for the remaining 24 months may be sold. Options expire ten years from grant date.

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