#### ARMSTRONG WILLIAM H III

Form 4

August 25, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and AcARMSTRON                           | *       | _        | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer      |  |  |  |
|--|---------|----------|--|---|--|--|--|
|  |         |          | STRATUS PROPERTIES INC<br>[STRS]   | (Check all applicable)                                |  |  |  |
| (Last)   | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)   | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify |  |  |  |
| 98 SAN JACINTO BOULEVARD,<br>STE 220<br>(Street) |         |          | 08/23/2005   | below) Chair of Board,President, CEO                  |  |  |  |
|  |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check             |  |  |  |
| AUSTIN, TX                                       | X 78701 |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)  Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Pe  Form filed by More than One Re Person |   |  |  |  |
| (City)   | (State) | (Zip)    | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A  | Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own            |  |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                              | Tabl  | e I - Non-L                            | <b>Derivative</b> | Secur   | ities Acqui  | red, Disposed of,  | or Beneficiall   | y Owned   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|-------------------|---------|--------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |                   | ed of ( |              | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |   |  |                   |         |              | 3,250  | I  | IRA for self  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 08/23/2005                           |   | M                                      | 25,000            | A       | \$ 3.63      | 98,786   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock (2)                  | 08/23/2005                           |   | F(3)                                   | 10,296            | D       | \$<br>18.125 | 88,490   | 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |       | Derivative Expiration Date decurities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4, |                    | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                                    |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|-------|--|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                  | (A)   | (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Share |
| Option (right to buy)                               | \$ 3.63   | 08/23/2005                           |   | M                                       | 2   | 5,000 | 11/07/1996(1)  | 11/07/2005         | Common<br>Stock  | 25,000                             |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ARMSTRONG WILLIAM H III 98 SAN JACINTO BOULEVARD, STE 220 AUSTIN, TX 78701

Chair of Board, President, CEO

## **Signatures**

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of William H. Armstrong III pursuant to a power of attorney

08/25/2005

\*\*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) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (2) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transactions includes 45,909 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Shares withheld and delivered in payment of the exercise price of options and resulting taxes.

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