

BALCHEM CORP
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Houston Matthew David		(Month/Day/Year)	BALCHEM CORP [BCP]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	06/24/2005	
C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION,Â PO BOX 600			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
NEW HAMPTON,Â NYÂ 10958			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below) (specify below)	
			General Counsel/Secretary	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Incentive Stock Option (1)	01/24/2006(2)	01/23/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 22.2	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Houston Matthew David C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION PO BOX 600 NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958	Â	Â	Â General Counsel/Secretary	Â

Signatures

/s/ Matthew D.
Houston

07/05/2005

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The options constitute a sign-on grant upon the reporting person's commencement of employment.
20% of the options granted become exercisable on the indicated date (which is the first anniversary of the date of grant). An additional
- (2) 40% of the options granted become exercisable on the second anniversary of the date of grant, and an additional 40% of the options granted become exercisable on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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