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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SIMON ROBERT J II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

President, Seitel Data Ltd.

below)

SEITEL INC [SELA]

(Month/Day/Year)

02/15/2005

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

10811 S. WESTVIEW CIRCLE, BUILDING C, STE 100

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77043

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Owned Ownership (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4)

D

(A) or

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Restricted Common

(City)

Stock, par 02/15/2005

126,000 \$0 225,917 A Α

value \$.01

(1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Transaction(s)

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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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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

SIMON ROBERT J II 10811 S. WESTVIEW CIRCLE **BUILDING C, STE 100** HOUSTON, TX 77043

President, Seitel Data Ltd.

Signatures

/s/ Robert J. 02/16/2005 Simon II

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- One-third of the restricted stock vests one year from the date of grant, an additional one-third vests two years from date of grant, and the remaining one-third vests three years from the date of grant.

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